Weekly Report

March 20, 1977

Sandy Brown

1. Initiative, Referendum and Recall

The Committee on Government Operations voted out the "Initiative Referendum and Recall Charter Amendment Act" on Wednesday. In the folder marked "Initiative and Referendum" is a summary of the bill as reported by the Committee. The essential elements of the reported bill are almost identical to the two bills that you introduced on initiative, referendum and recall

what are the differences? Anything significant?

Also in the folder are copies of the Committee report and the bill as reported out of Committee.

> any problems you should bring to our attention.

Schedule for consideration

March 28	COW work session
April 1	1st reading
April 19	2nd reading

2. Freedom of Information Requests:

Telegrams were sent on Friday Afternoon (3/18) to Clarence Kelley at the FBI and Robert Drummond, Bureau of Personnel Investigations, CSC. The text of the two telegrams is in the notebook. Will receive a verification of the telegrams' receipt as well as copies of the telegrams on Monday.

call on Tues. -- the appropriate offices -- and make sure the telegrams were received

3. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act

The hearing on this bill went well. Everyone testifying on the bill supported it. The American Speech and Hearing Assn., the D.C. Speech and Hearing Assn., and Gallaudet College testified in favor of the legislation. They suggested a number of technical amendments.

how soon can this be ready for Council vote? Any of the technical amendments controversial?

4. Energy Advisory Commission Act

In the folder marked Energy Advisory Commission is:

1. A copy of the Energy Advisory Commission Act of 1977 and background statement done as a bill.

Julius says this is the direction we want to go. Pls. introduce Mon. 3/21

2. A copy of the Energy Advisory Commission Resolution of 1977 and a background statement done as a resolution.

3. A copy of the Corporation Counsel's opinion on P.R. 1-221 the "Energy Advisory Commission Resolution of 1976" (which you introduced last year.) Essentially the opinion states that P.R. 1-221 exceeds the powers normally given to the power for resolutions. (see Dec. 5, 1976 weekly report)

4. An original of a letter to constituents asking for support of the bill which must be signed.

5. First pages (originals) of:

- The "Energy Advisory Commission Act of 1977"
- The "Energy Advisory Commission Resolution of 1977"

SIGN ONE OR THE OTHER IN UPPER RIGHT HAND CORNER

6. Sandy – pls update the summary of Julius' City Council activities asap. I would like to see a rough draft mid-week.

OK – Julius understands we should introduce as "act"

Sandy – we have signed bill, pls introduce proper direction, introduce.

letter & background statement require minor direction

Sandy Brown

March 6, 1977

Weeklyv Report

1. Initiative Referendum/Recall

The hearing last Tuesday went well; about 20 people testified and the press conference received good coverage. A number of people have called the office asking for copies of both the initiative and referendum bill and the recall billafter seeing the conference on TV.

The Government Operations Committee will be considering both the Initiative and Referendum Amentment Act and the Recall bill at its March 16 meeting. A copy of the Committee report and Committee staff recommendations should be available sometime next week.

Prospects for favorable consideration by the Committee appear good. In addition to you,Dixon and Doug Moore have expressed full support. Spaulding has expressed a vague general support. Barry and Tucker - no real indication for support or opposition.

If reported out of the Government Operations Committee the schedule for Council consideration is:

March 28, 1977	COW work session
April 5	1st reading
April 19	2nd reading

Will make sure a number of the consituents groups such as ADA D.C. PIRG and Initiative America are present at the Committee meeting on the 16th

2. Freedom of Information Requests

Nothing new to report; am awaiting information from the CSC.

3. Energy Advisory Commission Act

In the note book is a corrected copy of the background statement and the bill. Have gone through the bill and the background statement to make sure they are consistent.

Be sure to set up strategy session on returnable beverage container bill — even if Julius can't be there "at the last minute", groups need to get together and determine how much support they plan to give the bill.

Good!

Sandy — Did you & Lorraine ever fix the pillows in Julius' Council chair — he still complains every time he has to sit in the chair.

→ follow up with phone call to CSC — follow-up letter for record if they can't get us info. within a week or two

March 6, 1977

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Sandy Brown

3. Energy Advisory Commission (con'd)

Checked with Hugh; on first reading he felt the package look good, but he had not really had the chance to look at the bill closely.

Will introduce early next week and send to the constituent groups and ANC's

4. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act

Nothing new to report; hearings are scheduled for March 16, 1977

Either Dave or I will cover the hearings on March 16

5. Consumer Debt Collection Protection Act

The House of Representatives passed a bill similar to the Model legislation that we have last year (the bill was introduced by Congressman Frank Annunzio). However the House bill was never considered by the Senate and remained in committee. Am getting a copy of the bill and the House Committee Report. I want to compare this bill with the model bill that we now have; we may want to go with the House bill instead.

6. District Building Architectural Accessibility

Have not received in writing the schedule for the ramp as of Friday afternoon 4p.m. However, construction and excavation began this week. Mr. Starobin called me Friday afternoon and stated that the ramp will be completed and usable by the end of March (some of the finished stone, etc. will not be in place until sometime later) and that you will have a written schedule and plan on Monday, March 7.

OK

OK

OK

Good

Be sure to follow up.

Sandy – Bardyl Tirana has a fairly large box of newspaper clippings which belong to Julius. At one time Gail thought she might have time to clip. We don't want to get lost. Would appreciate your calling Gail and arranging to pick up one afternoon when you are not busy ——

8. Sandy – would like to have each of the staff ## have a card with everyone elses' home phone no. – like Julius business card with numbers on reverse side. Carry in wallet. Pls give us two – one for Julius & one for me.

February 27, 1977 — Weekly Report

Sandy Brown

1. Initiative and Referendum/Recall

The hearing is set for Tuesday March 1, 1977 at 10:00 a.m. in room 503. A number of citizen groups supporting the bill will be holding a press conference in the hallway outside the Council Chambers at 9;30 a.m.. Some of the participating groups will be the Americans for Democratic Action, the Gray Panthers, D.C. PIRG, Northwest Boundary Civic Association, the Federation of Civic Associations, the National Capital Voters Association, and D.C. Power.

In the folder on initiative and referendum is a fact sheet on both Bill 2-2, the Initiative and Referendum Amendment Act and Bill 2-94, the Recall of Elected Officials Amendment Act.

The Government Operations Committee is planning to consider both the initiative and referendum bill and the recall bill in Committee on March 16, 1977.

Also Wilhelmena Rolark co-sponsored the Recall of Elected Officials Amendment Act. Copy of the bill and background statement is in the folder on Initiative and Referendum (you may want to keep that copy at home for reference)

2. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act

In the note book is a letter from Edward C. Merrill, Jr., President of Gallaudet College concerning the bill. I Have seen that he has been placed on the witness list for the hearing on March 14, 1977.

3. Freedom of Information Requests

In the notebook is a letter you have received from Bureau of Personnel Investigations of CSC indicating that they will be furnishing you with the information requested under the FOIPA.
(YOU MAY KEEP LETTER AT HOME FOR YOUR REFERENCE
Also in note book are copies of the FBI answers to your interrogatories.

Sandy – last week I asked that you all do something about the uncomfortable pillows in the Council chair (Julius!) – they slip, etc. Pls. discuss with Julius and do something to correct – even if it means buying the proper size pillows.

Good.

Make sure Julius is there!

– fine.

→ Who will handle if Julius isn't there? should alert – since Julius might want to just step in for a minute. Make sure someone will be there – not a priority on Julius' time.

OK – anything else here we need to follow up on?

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5. Energy Advisory Commission Act

In the note book is a revised copy of the background statement and the bill. Have given Hugh a copy of the revised bill and background statement and asked for his comments. Will contact him again early next week to get his input.

Also in the notebook (clipped to the bill and background statement) is a draft letter to constituents and groups as well as a list of potential constituents.

6. Returnable Beverage Container Act

As of the moment the Transportation and Environmental Affairs Committee has no plans to consider the bill immediately. You should contact Jerry Moore to push for consideration. I will draft a memorandum to this affect next week.

7. District Building Architectural Accessibility

Did not receive a construction schedule from Dept. of General Service on Friday; will follow up Monday morning. However on FRIDAY (2/25) I did see see a number of people taking dimensions for the ramp at the 13½ Street entrance and removing shrubbery from the area way by the entrance.

Call Edie Fraser's office (Fraser, Rudee & Finn) to borrow a copy of their list of consumer organizations - will include private and gov. groups which might be interested — also send to Bd. of Trade & head of COG - also ANC's. Mail this week if possible. (Want to include the recall bill in same mailing?).

Have you called a "strategy" meeting with constituent groups & Julius? They should push Jerry Moore & other Council members - set meeting for Thursday. Ask Hugh for help.

Call Monday morning without fail. Call Tues. & Wed, etc. if necessary until you get the construction plans/schedule etc.

Weekly Report

February 20, 1977

Sandy Brown

Sandy - could you please Xerox (& reduce for JWH notebook) the FBI answer to the ACLU case. Julius wanted to show it to someone & we didn't have copy.

1. Initiative and Referendum

Sent out copies of the hearing notice and letters inviting people to testify at the March 1 hearing to all constituents and ANC Commissioners (about 330 people) last Tuesday. Copies of the letters and hearing notice are in the notebook.

OK - looks good!

2. Recall of Public Offials Amendment Act

The bill was introduced on Thursday (2/17). The bill and background statement was circulated to all Councilmembers and the press. A copy of the package is in the notebook.

OK

3. District Building Architectural Accessibility

In the notebook is a copy of a memo from Oliver Cassell concerning the ramp. He has spoken with Ed Noakes and will be forwarding you plans and a construction/by Thursday of next week. schedule

In the signaturefolder is a letter to Edward Noakes thanking him for his time and help.

I am glad things have worked out. Be sure to follow-up on Friday if you don't hear from Cassell

4. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act

Nothing new to report.

did not see letter?

5. Energy Advisory Commission Act

In the notebook are copies of a bill, background statement, letter sending the bill to groups, and partial list of constituents groups. Will expand this list further next week. Hugh Kaufman is also working on adding names to this list.

Who have you shown this bill to? Has Hugh reviewed — do ask him to do so if you can. Also you should get support of at least one Environmental group before introducing bill — expect Wally Hugh. Then prepare to introduce bill asap... (next week) also distribute to citizen groups.

6. Freedom of Information Requests

Tina received a letter from the FBI indicating that had received her FOIPA request of December 10, 1976.

Sandy Brown

Happy Valentines Day

February 13, 1977

1. Initiative and Referendum

After speaking with you ADA, the D.C. Federation, City Wide Housing Coalition and others are going to sponsor a press conference on Initiative and Referendum before the hearing on March 1, 1977.

Also in the note book for your signature are letters to constituents and ANC people inviting them to testify. Will get these letter as well as a copy of the hearing notice on Monday and Tuesday.

Clarification of Charter Amendment: Ed Webb, the General Counsel and Marsha Echols, the Legislative Counsel both concurred with what I said in last week's report. Willies resolution calling for an advisory referendum on having a curfew is just that -- a way to go to the people to get their opinion. The proposition is initiated by the Council not by the citizens. The result of the balloting would not change any existing laws nor is the Council legally bound by the outcome of the vote. This process set up by the Council rules for procedure which states that any Councilmember may through resolution place an issue on the ballot for an advisory referendum.

2. Freedom of Information Request

Contacted Mr. Whitell in Bureau of Personnel Investigations. They now have a copy of the letter which CSC sent to you in November and will be contacting you with their findings within the next 3 to 4 weeks.

3. District Building Accessibility

Memo to Oliver Cassell, Director, Bureau of Buildings Management was hand delivered on Friday Afternoon. Copy of the memo is in the notebook.

Week[illegible]eport

Sandy - see calendar

{also - WB didn't get invitation/correspondence file this week???

Good - how about ACLU

Cause, environmental groups & others

Whose bills have legislative duties, [illegible] already on list.

Be sure to mail asap. Would be better to notify constituents 2-3 weeks ahead so they can prepare testimony. Letter in signature folder.

OK

You may need to follow up your letter with phone call

Remember every morning to ask yourself what you can do to assist us Cassell Monday + see if they have contacted [illegible] etc.

Sandy Brown

4. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act

Letter to Dr. Edward C. Merrill, Jr. President of Gallaudet College is in the folder.

5. Recall of Elected Officials

As you requested for this weekend a copy of the "Recall of Elected Officials Amendment Act and a background statement is in the notebook. (sorry about the poor quality of the copy)

6. Energy Advisory Commission Act 4 items to complete

Have not finished retyping the bill will have ready next week and will send a copy of the bill and background statement to Hugh Kaufmann (would Roger Sant be interested) no not yet

The District (Office of Municipal Planning) has received $53,000 in November for preparing an energy conservation plan and submitting that plan to FEA pursuant to FEA guidelines. The Newspaper article in November is not accurate. The District has not goofed on this, yet.

FEA was late in issuing its guidelines to the state for developing their energy conservation plans. The guidelines were not issued until the end of November 1976 and the states (including D.C.) have until March to submit those plans to FEA. The Municipal Planning Office is the agency that is currently working on preparing and developing that energy conservation plan (using the $53,000 given the District last November.) If the District's Energy Conservation Plan is accepted by FEA, D.C. could receive up to $500,000 for implementation.

7. You have been invited to attend the installation of Cliff Alexander as Secretary of the Army on Feb. 16, 1977 at 10 A.M. (you should be there by 9:30 A.M.) at the Fort Meyer gymnasium. Dress is informal. They would like a response ASAP (697-0692) You will also get a written invitation on Monday or Tuesday.

8. What has happened with Air Pollution / Urban Consumer Debt Collection — can we have interns/volunteers work on these?

Sandy - Julius is not interested in serving on the Mayor's Committee for the Handicapped — he needs to devote what energy he has to other Council Business. Also, Mayor pro tempore Hoffman is unable to serve -- just assumed he would. I guess I should we write Mayor + official declination or just have you set in for Julius?

→ Call Hugh this week and ask for names/addresses of other constituent groups who would be interested in the bill. Include such (1) (2) (3) (4) part with bill / background statement next week. Also include draft resolution for signing by to groups.

→ Please ask for a draft of the conservation plan + if so ready — we should receive within next 2 weeks.

— Julius doesn't want to go. Thank them anyway. Draft a "congratulations" note for Julius to sign.

Institute and Dr. Bhatt? Also

Weekly Report

Sandy Brown

February 6, 1977

1. Initiative and Referendum Amendment Act

Have scheduled a meeting with a number of constituents on this bill for next Thursday morning (2/10) at 11 A.M. in your office to discuss strategy.

Clarification on Charter Amendments: The Home Rule charter is amended by an act of the Council. If such an act passes that act is then placed on the ballot where it must be ratified by a majority of the registered voters. Upon ratification the act which amends the Charter is sent to Congress where both Houses must adopt a concurrent resolution approvingthat act which amends the Charter, (see Section 303 of the Home Rule Charter) This process must take place before citizens can begin using the actual initiative and referendum process for themselves.

2. Non Criminal Police Surveillance Act

Nothing new to report

3. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act

Letters have gone out to constituents. Sample letter is in the notebook.

Will have a personal letter from you to the President of Gallaudet College asking for his/her support and comments prepared to go next week.

4. Returnable Beverage Container Act

Nothing new to report.

5. Energy Advisory Commission Act

In the note book is a draft background statement and draft bill

Basic Bill is very good!

has one or two citizen group contacts. Also we asked several weeks ago which D.C. office/staff got the FEA conservation planning funds ($50,000?) + what has been done?

schedule at least one of these meetings a week with Julius - coordinate with Dave & Pat.

Who gave you this view - have you checked with more than one source? Must every charter Amendment be voted on by D.C. citizens in regular election? How come Willie, with Council approval, can put an initiative on the ballot now. Ask yow

schedule a "constituent group" strategy meeting with Julius. Encourage people to lobby now - also push for hearing date.

OK - send during week & ask Julius to read if possible

set up "constituent group" strategy session. Discuss how to lobby & push for hearing date.

Sandy, Remember how often I repeat that it is not what you do but what you get others to do that counts! What "constituents" have helped you draft the background statement & bill? Hugh K.

February 6, 1977

Weekly Report

Sandy Brown

6. District Building Architectural Accessibility

Mr. Noakes was sick this past week and could not make it down to the District Building; am setting up another appointment for next week

7. Hollow Point Bullets Prohibition Act

Judiciary Committee is scheduling public hearings on this measure for March 31, 1977 at 10 A.M. and 2 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

8. Freedom of Information and Privacy Act Requests

Will have ready for next week a letter from you to the CSC Bureau of Personnel Investigation requesting any information they ~~may have on you~~.

9. Sandy - where is a copy of the memo Julius gave to Tucker re the reorganization Anything I edit one week -- pls. include a copy for the following week. Did you give to selected press?

Do you think we will ever get action on this very simple issue? Make it your 1st priority. If Noakes doesn't come next week — call me and we will try to find someone else. The Mayor is shortly going to be able to blame us for the delay.

→ Does ACLU know? Has Abe Bloom etc. been notified of hearing? Can Ralph Temple get some of the people who have done research/studies to testify?

→ Sandy - we already have asked for this CSC information! What we need is a follow-up phone call first and then a letter based on the results of the phone call. Send it out during week - don't wait for next week-end.

January 30, 1977

Sandy Brown

Sandy - you should plan "constituent group" meetings (1 hr) on each of our bills - with JWH on days no other Council activities - they should come prepared to discuss strategy.

1. Initiative and Referendum

Spoke with the Government Operations Committee Staff. They indicated that Dixon is planning to bring the Initiaitve and Referendum Amendment Act, the D.C. Statehood bill, the Curfew Referendum Resolution and a number of other measures which require going before a vote of the people before the Committee in early April for its consideration so that the Council can vote the issues up or down in May. If the Initiative and Referendum is passed by the Council, this time table would allow enough time for the bill (which is a Charter amendment) to be placed on the ballot for the November election.

Sandy - why does the I+R bill need to be placed on the ballot as a Charter Amendment? I'm sure only Congress votes on Charter Amendments! The Council would vote on the bill, if passed it would go to Congress. Did you mean that the ~~to that the~~ time schedule would permit initiatives to be placed on the Nov. ballot? Pls. check so we don't give out misinformation. Be sure to inform constituent groups so they can begin lobbying Councilmembers.

2. Non Criminal Police Surveillance Act

Nothing new to report.

3. Freedom of Information & Privacy Act Requests

Status of the law suite. Anne Pilsbury has received the answers to the interogatories asking the FBI who they kept files on. (these were the answers Sam Abbott gave to you several weeks ago.) Anne is now working on getting the FBI to provide her with copies of thise files. Does Anne have copies of everything?

Have you contacted CSC Bureau of Personnel Investigations (see notes on Jan. 23 report) to find out why we haven't received Julius's file Pls write follow up letter this week if necessary. Maybe Lorraine can call (if she ever has time) and get better Xerox copies of unreadable pages as mentioned last week.

4. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act

Hearings are scheduled on this bill for March 16, 1977. A copy of the letter to the constituents asking their support and inviting them to testify at the hearing is in the notebook. Also attached is a copy of the hearing notice.

Send personal letter this week from JWH to President of Galadet (sp?) college asking for his comments & suggestions (enclose hearing notice). Julius use to speak there often.

5. Returnable Beverage Container Act

Nothing new to report. A copy of the bill and background report is in the notebook.

Do the "constituent" groups want to meet with Julius one day? To discuss strategy. Remember we did not do this last year and lost! Start planning and pulling together support so we don't lose again!

January 30, 1[illegible] [illegible]ly [illegible]rt

Sandy Brown

6. District Building Architectural Accessibility

I spoke with the AIA and they put me in contact with Edward Noakes of Noakes Associates(and is very knowledgable in this area) He is coming down to the District Building on Monday at 1;30 P.M. to meet with you to discuss accessibility into the District Building. At firs glance he felt that the elevator concept at the 13½ Street entrance would accomplish what you wanted (ie. handicapped accessibility into the building) However, he felt that a ramp may be a better alternative from an aesthetic point of view.

I also spoke with Peter Lassin (at the suggestion of [illegible] some of the handicapped constituents that I spoke with - he is also handicapped) an architect who heads the Architecture and Compliance Board at HEW (That Department oversees all federal regulations on architectural accessibility) He said that the elevator concept was an acceptable solution given the problem presented by the District Building and meets Federal guidelines for handicapped accessibility. He indicated that the elevator, particularly the mechanical parts,should be protected from the weather in order prevent maintainance problems. Mr. Lassin however felt that the elevator presented less of a problem from an aesthetic point of view.

7. ERYA Committee meeting (additional item for the agenda)

Someone from the Mayor's office will be briefing the Committee on Teacher Pay Raises (see copy of the letter sent to Mayor last Tuesday) Mayor's Office will call on Monday to give us the name of that person. Pat has been sick 3 days with the flu; she should be back on Monday.

8. Statehood OK

Jo Ann Williams from WRC TV called on Friday. WRC is doing a discussion porgram on the statehood issue and wanted you to participate. The program will be taped on Saturday February 5 1977 at 1:30 P.M. at WRC's studio. The actual program will be

— Make sure he is willing to do this for free — and send personal thank you follow-up letter.

— We need someone who will come over and look at the entrance / plans and talk with D.C. staff! Architecture is very difficult to plan over the phone — so lets stick with Mr. Noakes although I am glad you contacted Mr. Lassin.

— ok

— yes Who else will be on the panel? Discuss with Julius? Julius said he will — can you or Dave go with him?

aired on a Sunday in late March right after "Meet the Press" They would like a response on Monday if possible.

9. Response to Tucker's memo of January 10, 1977

In the notebook is a short draft response to this memorandum

Good job!

Lets push on our Energy Conservation bill for obvious reasons!

January 23, 1977

Sandy Brown

Weekly Review

1. Initiative and Referendum

Nothing new to report. For the record, however, the letter sent to the constituents on the issue did have a salutation (see sample letter in the notebook). The same was also true for the letter sent to the constituents on the "bottle bill"

2. Non Criminal Police Surveillance Act

Letters sent to constituents on this issue went out on Friday January 21. (sample letter in the notebook)

3. Returnable Beverage Container Legislation

Nothing new to report. Am meeting with several people from Environmental Action on Monday to discuss strategies.

4. Freedom of Information Requests

In the two black notebooks (which you may keep at home for your reference) are copies of the responses thay you have received thus far on your FOI requests. There is a summary sheet at the beginning of both notebooks.

5. Recall of Public Officials

In a folder marked "Recall of Public Officials" is a draft bill. It is basically the same as the one Arrington Dixon reported out of the Government Operations Committee. Basically the bill provides for:

(a) the initiation of recall petitions to remove any incumbent el
elected official in D.C. except for the delegate to Congress

(b) Require that a petition be signed by 30% of the qualified voters in the election district electing the official sought

Sandy — do not use "My office will keep you informed" always put the responsibility on them i.e. letter to constituent re police surveillance Act. "... Please do not hesitate to contact...". Remember these are citizen bills... if they are not, they should never be passed.

Good letter. Constituent groups should lobby Judiciary Committee members.

Be sure to schedule meeting with JWA particularly in light of Tucker directive to Council members. Constituent groups should also lobby Tucker & other Councilmembers.

Do you have another copy at the office. What is the status of the suit -- has Ann P. discussed with you? Where X many copies (i.e. CSC) pls call & ask for readable page's - the copy is useless otherwise

Hold too time being. If constituent groups are interested in this bill — have them meet with Julius, explain why they want him to sponsor.

follow up to get Julius CSC info from the Bureau of Personnel Investigations such as info. sent me from Drummond.

(c) the recall election would occur at the next regularly scheduled election.

(d) the candidate to be recalled would be removed by a vote of a majority of those voting in the recall election

(e) A recalled official may run for election for the seat vacated by his or her removal.

(f) No official may be recalled in the first 120 or last 180 days in office, or within 6 months of a recall election which resulted in his favor.

(g) The provisions of the bill would not apply to any incumbent public offiical at the time that the law takes effect, until he or she has been reelected.

Arrington Dixon is not reintroducing the bill but would support such a measure if it was introduced. If introduced soon (and assuming that such a bill would be referred to the Government Operations Committee) the legislation could be considered in conjunction with the Initiative and Referendum Amendment Act at the Public hearings on March 1, 1977.

6. Energy Advisory Commission Act — OK

Am working on a bill similar to the resolution that you introduced last year. Hope to have a rough draft ready next week

7 ALSO COPIES OF ALL 9 BILLS INTRODUCED 1/3/77 ARE ENCLOSED.

OK

① Smoking
③ Ed. Accountability
⑧ Youth Employment
④ State fair
⑤ Audiology + Speech...
⑥ Statehood
⑦ Non Criminal Police Surveillance
⑧ Initiative + Referendum
* ⑨ Returnable Beverage

* You enclosed the letter but not the bill or background statement on the Returnable Beverage Containers. Pls. include next week.

January 16, 1977

Sandy Brown

Weekly Review

Sandy – could you pls. send home with Julius one copy of our bills & background material so I can keep at home for reference.

1. Initiative and Referendum Amendment Act

Copies of the bill, background statement, cover letter and press release went out to all the ANC Commissioners this past week (about 300 copies of the bill and background statement)

Also copies of the bill, background statement and a cover letter went out to about 50 "constituents" (copies of this correspondance and the ANC correspondance is in the folder on Initiative and Referendum)

Americans for Democratic Action (ADA) endorse the bill this week (copy of their press release is also in the folder.)

The Government Operations Committee is planning to schedule hearings on the bill on March 1, 1977.

Good – however, you made a typo in 1st sentence again! How are we going to avoid this type of error? Errors always seem to occur in 1st ¶ or 2nd?

Keep your eyes open for opportunities to encourage support from other areas!

→ where is copy of letter sent to "constituents" – only ANC cover letter in file – or was it Jan 13 item? Don't understand – was letter sent without salutation? Usually not effective – no one knows why sent to them... etc.

OK

2. Ret nable Beverage Container Act

Cover letter, background statement and the bill was sent out to environmental groups and interested citizen were sent out this week. (copies of the materials sent out are in the folder on returnable beverage containers)

Good

3. Non Criminal Police Surveillance Act

In the notebook is a cover letter to constituents on this issue requesting their support.

OK correct & have Julius sign

4. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act

Will develop a letter to the constituents on this bill, although the constituent list on this bill is still fairly small.

call existing "constituents" and get their mailing list.

January 16, 1977

Sandy Brown

Weekly Review

5. District Building Architectural Accessiblity

In the note book is an alternative concept for handicapped accessibility to the District Bldg. which was thrown out for thought. by the Mayor's side. It involves the use of a small elevator at the main 13½ St. entrance to lift someone up to the door level of the entrance where there would be an automatic door. An illustration of the concept and rough plan as it would be used for the District Bldg. is in the notebook. The National Gallery of Art uses a similar system for handicapped accessibility.

Am checking with an architect from AIA and serveral handicapped individuals to look at this idea as opposed to a ramp. — OK

6. D.C. State Fair Act (Bill 2-8) was referred to the Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs

7. As you have time — lets get busy on reintroducing our Conservation Advisory Committee — this is a good time — cold season!

8. FOI requests — could you send notebooks for Julius and me home next week — so I could see status of requests / replies. Thanks.

January 9, 1977

Sandy Brown — Weekly Review

1. Hollow Point Bullets

The "Hollow Point Bullet Prohibition Act of 1977" was filed for introduction Friday afternoon (1/7/77) (copy attached)

Apparently the MPD ordered 75,000 rounds of hollow point ammunition on 12/28/76 at $7,000 (not a complete order) The bullets were scheduled to be put in service revolvers on the street, Friday 1/7. Upon introduction Dave Clarke indicated, as Chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety, he would request Chief Cullinane to voluntarily withhold issuing hollow-point bullets pending public hearings and Council consideration on Hollow Point Bullet Prohibition Act. If the MPD refused to honor that request Clarke indicated that he would then propose emergency legislation maintaining the staus-quo. (ie. the continued use of round nose bullets) until such time as the Council has considered the issue

Rational for this strategy: Dave has not made up his mind on the issue of hollow points. He does not guarantee his favorable vote for your bill but he does favor holding public hearings on the issue and would, as Chairman of the Committee, propose to his Committee that they hold public hearings on the issue. Introduction of the bill would enable the Committee to make a case for at least bringing the issue of hollow point bullets before the Council for its consideration without opposing their use.

STATUS OF BILLS INTRODUCED

1. The D.C. Statehood Act (Bill 2-1) was referred to the Committee on Government Operations chaired by Arrington Dixon

2. The Initiative and Referendum Amendment Act (Bill 2-2) was also referred to the Committee on Government Operations Hearings are scheduled for March 1, 1977

OK - brief Julius on this Mon.

Sandy, pls send home asap one copy of each bill + background letter — just for my file as reference.

Sandy — be sure that every time you send out a copy of a bill you also include the background statement to the Council members.

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Initiative and Referendum Amendment Act (con'd)

A letter to the ANC Commissioners requesting their support of the bill is attached (letter would go out to about 250 ANC members). Also attached is a letter to other constituents such as Common Cause and the League of Women Voters etc. who have expressed an interest in initiative and referendum asking for their support.

3. The Educational Accountability Act (Bill 2-3) was referred to the Committee on Education and Recreation and Youth Affairs.

4. The Youth Employment Act (Bill 2-4) was referred to the Comm. on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs Great! Hope this might go to Manpower Committee.

5. The Returnable Beverage Container Act (Bill 2-5) was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Environmental Affairs. Attached is a letter to the environmental groups asking them for support of the Bottle bill.

6. The non Criminal Police Surveillance Act of 1977 (Bill 2-6) was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety.

7The D.C. Clean Indoor Air Act (Bill 2-7) was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Environmental Affairs.

8. The Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act of 1977 (Bill 2-9) was referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Consumer Affairs.

(1) How about the State Tax Bill ? ? ?

★ Priority should be to hold hearings on these bills -- within the next three weeks ? ? ?

→ also include press release describing 9 bills (X-ref on both sides of one sheet)

Good

Who are you sending these bills to? We will also need cover letters. Continuously expand your "interested" list.

Sandy — each time you enclose a bill/resolution with a weekly report list names of people/groups which have reviewed bill/package.

December 19, 1976

Sandy Brown Weekly Review

Sandy - calendar is out of date — for wrong week! What is the staff have record for this week? Julius wants to review each week.

1. Freedom of Information Requests:

Have reorganized the FOIPA files and separated into 2 folders (Yours and Tina's) with tabs for each of the agencies you have sent letters and received responses. (Note, I have both of your full CSC responses at the office and will place them in the folder next week; only the cover letters are enclosed in those folders.) YOU MAY KEEP THESE AT HOME I HAVE MADE DUPLICATES — will do so.
At the front of each of the folders is a summary of the status on the correspondance sent and received to each of the agencies.

FOIPA

In your/folder (Julius) is a response from the CIA.

In Tina's FOIPA folder is an interim reply from the CIA concerning your appeal.

Sandy — Fine, all [illegible] now all returned! I thought we had suggested (but can't locate notation) that you set up two notebooks — one for me & one for Julius. Use dividers for CIA, CSC, FBI etc. — don't use "A" "B" "C" etc. File under tabs in chron. order with latest date letter on top — use Xerox to reduce material to 8 x 10 size as necessary. Have you (and do you) regularly send copies of all material to Anne Plsbury? Want to see complete up-to-date notebooks next week. Lets discuss if you have questions. Its easier to handle & add to notebooks. Thanks —

2. Initiative and Referendum

Have drafted a background report and press release which is enclosed.

Pls review with and gain support of constituent groups — let us know who we can count on.

3. Consumer Debt Collection Fair Practices Act:

Nothing new to report; will begin working on a background statement

OK, let us know which constituent groups have reviewed & will support —

4. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act:

Have drafted a background statement, press release and a question and answer sheet that is enclosed in the notebook

Have you reviewed total package with constituent groups? I guess we need to know which groups have reviewed/will support bill?

5. Environmental/Energy Issues:

Am working on a draft background statement for the bottle

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5. Environmental/Energy Issues:

bill will have ready the middle of next week.
or Wednesday
Hugh can come over to your place on Monday/evening.
Since you are scheduled to go down to Alabama on Wed.
Monday night would be a good a night as any for me to discuss Environmental Issues for the coming legislative session.

Have not had the chance to follow through on D.C.'s development of a comprehensive energy plan under the Federal Energy Policy and Conservation Act. Will check on that Monday.

6. Miscellaneous:

In the signature folder are those letters to Lou and Carlene, Sam Smith, Hilda and Charlie Mason, Anton Wood, and Jo Butler.

In the notebook under calender of events is a copy of your flight schedule to Alabama

Let's postpone until after X-mas - at least talk with Hugh over phone.

Find out what you can plus "action options" this week

We were disappointed not to find a signature folder with package of materials. Pls give to Julie asap.

Important - Emergency

Sandy - Julius needs to go to the dentist no later than Cob Tuesday - upper teeth causing major problem. Either you or I should call for appt.

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Sandy Brown — Weekly Review

Sandy - our typewriter was not correctly repaired (usual experience!). Could you pls return Mon. or Tues so we could have by Friday 12/18 cob ?

1. Freedom of Information Requests:
from Tina

Discussed letters/to CIA and D.C. Police with Anne Pilsbury; she felt they were a good idea. Letters sent early this past week. We have received a response from the D.C. Police (letter is enclosed) Have drafted a letter to the Park Police following the suggestion of the D.C. Police (also enclosed)

Also - pls. pick up metroliner tickets (check attached). Must be picked up Mon. 12/13.

OK, thanks (keep copy in file)

2. Initiative and Referendum

Have sent copies of the bill to D.C. PIRG and Sam Newman, Secretary of the D.C. Federation of Civic Associations asking them for support. Will see that Common Cause gets a draft copy of the bill next week.

OK - want to organize a "strategy" session with Julius next week.

3. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act

Have sent copies of the bill to Ms. Vivian Dempsey of the American Speech and Hearing Association and the Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf, Inc. asking for their support.

Good

4. Consumer Debt Collection Fair Practices Act

Nothing new to report; Copy of the Bill was sent to D.C. Public Interest Research Group requesting their comments and support

OK

5. Environmental/Energy Issues

The planning grant money ($53,000) given by FEA to D.C. for the development of a comprehensive energy plan went to the Municipal Planning Office (headed by Ben Gilbert) The Municipal Planning Office has received an extension from the FEA in presenting/developing an energy conservation plan that would qualify the District for Federal money under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.

Can we get a preliminary draft of this report? At least we should be sent copy of what is sent to FEA. Who in Ben Gilbert's office has any experience in energy conservation?

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5. Environment/Energy Issues (con'd)

Will work on a preliminary draft next week to have ready when we meet with Hugh

6. Christmas Cards

Cards were mailed on Friday

7. Council Rules and Procedures

Enclosed is a copy of the proposed rule changes. There are mostly concerned with Council and administrative procedures. They do not deal with Committee organization and structure. The rule changes are summarized in attachment A right after the cover memo. (summary is only 4 pages long) You may want to review them over the weekend and bring them with you to the work session on Council Reorganization on Monday.

The meeting begins at 9:00 a.m. in room 432 at the International Inn

OK

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1. Police Surveillance Legislation

Anne Pilsbury and Bert Wexler spoke with you on Tuesday 11/30. They felt that the Police Records Act (Bill 1-362 drafted by Ralph Temple) was good as far as it went. The primary problem, they felt, was that the bill was too narrow in its approach; Bill 1-362 deals primarily with the record keeping aspects of police surveillance. The bill basically states how the police shall keep and disseminate records and does not deal with the keeping of police records of the lawful activities of individuals or groups. Ie. They feel it is less a question of record keeping to control police surveillance but more a question of the type of activities the police choose to make a record. "The Non Criminal Police Surveillance Act" is more broad; it outlines the type of activities that are illegal--

activities such as unauthorized wire tapping, inciting people to violate laws, interfering with the lawful activities of individuals or organizations etc. No where does the Police Records Act make those sort of activities illegal according to them. To them that is the basic problem with that bill.

They have no problem with what the Police Records Act attempts to accomplish. However they feel that focusing on police records is not enough and should not be considered the solution for controling police surveillance. Their feeling, and you seemed to agree, that the Non Criminal Police Surveillance Act (NCPSA) should be pushed. They view the two bills as complimentary not antagonistic since they cover different aspect of police surveillance.

Nothing appears to be coming out of the Public Safety Comm. (Originally the Committee had planned to come out with a composit bill incorporating elements of Bill 1-287, Bill 1-362, and D.C. Police Guidelines in December which they would then introduce in Jan.) Ann and Bert are again looking a the NCPSA

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Sandy — This week send copies of all our proposed bills (stamped draft) to every organization which could possibly have interest -- with note from Jim asking for comments by Dec. 30

OK — good evaluation

and will get written comments on suggested changes to the bill to us before January. Will prepare to reintroduce in January.

2. Freedom of Information Requests
from Tina

Letter /appealing the CIA decision and letter from Tina to the Metropolitan Police are in the signature folder

Am also working to reorganize the FOI requests and will have completed by the middle of next week. Have also given Ann Pilsbury copies of the CSC responses to both your request and Tina's request for information under the Freedom of Information and Privacy Acts.

→ Did you discuss these letters with Ann Pilsbury? Is this the best strategy? I think I suggested last week that you do so, also should send her immediately - draft copy of my letter to FBI (which needs to be notarized & etc. We should follow her suggestions re follow-up actions.

3. Initiative and Referendum

Have redrafted the Initiative and Referendum Act. A number of organizations such as D.C. PIRG, the D.C. Federation of Civic Associations, and the Gray Panthers have expressed interest, will send draft copies to them to obtain support. DRAFT IS ATTACHED

Common Cause? League of W. Voters?

→ Can you get comments (if only by phone) before we introduce in January — particularly from Common Cause? (How about sending it to Wash'p "movers" constituency + groups to reform Marijuana (sp?) laws, etc.)

4. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act

Have sent a copy of the bill to Dr. Davila at the Kendall School for the Deaf at Gallaudet College asking for his comments and suggestions. Why not Pres. of college?

→ How about sending it to original "constituent" group which asked us to do bill in first place? The more "constituents" you send bills to for review/comment the better the educational process + the greater the potential support

5. Consumer Debt Collection Fair Practices Act

Have sent a copy of the bill to Randy Swisher, director of D.C. Public Interest Research Group asking him for that organization's support and comments as well as the names of any other groups who may be interested in supporting such legislation.

— Good

6. Air Pollution

Went to the Urban Institute on Monday. Enclosed is a short

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paper outlin- the"road pricing"concept and program. We may want to discuss with Hugh further. It is still in the idea stage to a large degree in the United States. We may want to introduce a resolution directing the Mayor to study "road pricing" for the District and assess its feasibility.

7. Environmental/Energy Issues

Attached is a copy of the "Traffic Facilitation Act",Bill 1-166 (allow for right turn on red after stopping) The bill was introduce by Coates and was referred to the Committee on the Committee on Transportation and Environmental Affairs, but was never reported out of Committee for Council consideration We may want to introduce this bill in January.

The Energy Advisory Commission Resolution was referred to the Committee on Government Operation and later recommitted to the Committee on the Budget. The Corporation Counsel indicated that the resolution exceeded the powers of the Council normally given to it for resolutions and stated that the resolution should be in the form of a bill. (see weekly reports of July 23 and July 30) Thus if we introduce the legislation again it should be introduced as a bill rather than a resolution. THE DOCU-
MENTS ARE IN THE ENERGY ADVISORY COMMISSION RES FOLDER

When recommitted to the Budget Committee it was hoped that the Energy Advisory Commission Resolution would be considered in conjunction with the Energy Conservation Act which the Budget Committee was working on at the time. However, the Budget Committee became caught up in the FY 78 budget and never reported out the Energy Conservation Act.

Am in the process of moving, but will try to set up a meeting with Hugh at your place Thursday night to discuss environmental issues.

ALSO ATTACHED IS FLIGHT SCHEDULE AND XMAS CARD LIST

Lets use this approach. Will the Urban Institute help?

Who got the planning grant as indicated in the newspaper article I gave you? Which office in D. C. government? We will want to include that info in a background statement. What are they doing with the grant - what kind of citizens input.

Lets plan to ~~to~~ introduce as Bill — can you have suggested preliminary draft ready by then. When we meet with Hugh? We may want to include part of Coates bill + Energy Conservation Act. — so bring copies of both.

OK

See separate information on Xmas cards

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1. Freedom of Information Requests

You have received a response from the Civil Service Commission in partial response to your Freedom of Information request of October 7.

Also in the folder on Freedom Information Requests is a letter from Tina Clarance Kelley in response to the FBI"s letter of November 17. The signature must be notarized.

2. Police Surveillance Legislation

Have rescheduled the meeting with Anne Pilsbury, Bert Wexler, and Abe Bloom for Tuesday morning (10 a.m.) to discuss police surveillance legislation (see Nov. 14 weekly report)

3. Questionnaire Results

Cover letter and questionnaire summary went out on Friday Nov. 26. Postage for that was $10.53 (81 letters were sent) Did not send any responses out to PTA Presidents since Pat will do that with her mailing.

4. Letter to Statehood Central Committee

In the signature folder are several versions of the letter

Version A is the letter exactly as you dictated with cc: to Lou Aronica, Jo Butler, Anton Wood, and Sam Smith.

Version B is the letter edited slightly for clarity from the way you dictated it with cc: to Lou, Sam, Anton, and Jo.

Version C are individual letters from you to Lou, Anton, Jo, and Sam Smith. Lorraine and I felt sending a letter to each individual was better than sending one original and 3 copies. Choose and sign whatever version and method that you feel is most appropriate.

Sandy — any item that comes in on the subject should be immediately followed up: If Ann Pelsbury doesn't want, I do! Make copies of everything & get to Ann as soon as received.

I will be in office to notarize — note recommended change.

OK — for me to discuss police surveillance documents/appeals with Anne.

attached to check.

Sandy — when (at what stage) is the initiative and referendum bill? This is a major priority? to Operation going to introduce the bill on Jan 1?

Pls retype with slight revision.

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5. Consumer Debt Collection Fair Practices Act of 1977

Attached is a draft of the above bill. The legislation is based on the model bill that appeared in Vol. XXXV of 1976 Suggested State Legislation. Rhuneta Gray is gathering and researching some background information.

6. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act

Attached is a retyped version of the Audiology and Speech Pathology Bill. The bill is ready for introduction at the first of the year.

7. Environmental Issues

Would like to try and set up a lunch date on Thursday or Friday (before I pick up Julius for 2 p.m. meetings) with you, Hugh, and myself to discuss environmental issues. Will have to check with Hugh before finalizing, however.

8. Air Pollution

Spoke with Dr. Kiran Bhatt at the Urban Institute about "Road Pricing" (traffic proposal to curb air pollution) and am meeting with him at the Urban Institute on Monday afternoon to get more information on this concept.

9. Note Wash. Star article. Julius wonders if we can introduce an emergency resolution to prevent use of hollow-point bullets?

10. Am very disappointed that we were unable to prevent the disorganized approach to energy conservation with our advisory committee resolution — see Post article 11/25! While is our bill — we should prepare to reintroduce! While Dept. secured the planning grant? What is the status of the legislation — something should / could be done on this.

→ Who is the "constituent" group we could have review/support bill prior to introducing Jan 1st? Be sure bill for review/with request for support. (return comments by Dec. 30)

→ Have you sent a copy of the bill for a final review/comments to the constituent group and Gallaudet (&p) College President? (return comments by Dec. 30)

→ I would probably be better now if we met in our apartment one evening at your convenience after the 1st.

→ Lets see if we can develop something by Dec. 30 & use Urban Institute (or?) as our "constituent" support group

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Sandy Brown

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1. Freedom of Information Requests

Tina has received 2 responses -- one from the CIA and another from the FBI concerning the release of infromation form the Civil Service Commission concerning your Freedom of Information Requests there. Copies of the two letters are in the folder on Freedom of Information Requests

Also note I have drafted a letter from Tina in response to the FBI letter. The signature must be notarized. — I'll be in office next week to have notarized.

2. Police Surveillance Legislation

Abe Bloom, Anne Pilsbury, and Bert Wechler are scheduled to meet with you on Friday at 10 a.m. in your office to discuss police surveillance legislation (see last week's report)

3. Questionnaire Results

Have retyped for your signature the cover letter. (The letter is in the signature folder for your signature and is typed on plain paper since it makes it easier to reproduce the letter on the blue Council stationery.)

4. Environmental Legislation

Spoke with Hugh Kaufman this week; would like to set up a luncheon meeting sometime during the week after Thanksgiving

5. Vacancy of Council seat - how it is filled (see last week's report)

Section 401 (d) of the Home Rule Charter deals with filling a vacancy in the Council.

For a vacancy in the Council of a member elected from a ward,

Sandy - since it is cold - would be helpful if you could organize staff to send home "Sunday summaries" on fri. afternoon (or Sat. morning) for us to review. Would save Julius extra trip to District Bldg.

Sandy, attached is the package I got from CSC. I don't consider this "confidential", more a waste of CSC time! Pls follow any notes on package and make 10 good Xerox copies (make sure you Xerox both sides of pages) and give copy to Anne Pilsbury on Friday. Tell her what we should do next — send 5 Xerox copies home with Julius — hold original & 4 copies.

good, have meeting organized and brief Julius on questions he should ask.

found in notebook

did not find letter in signature folder? Pat will be doing mailing letter to PTA presidents. Lets include questionnaire in that mailing so coordinate with Pat. & so letter won't be needed for PTA Presidents - just others)

→ OK lets discuss date. He has some proposed corrections/additions on waste oil bill

→ When did you get this information and who did you check it with? Discuss with Julius.

5. Vacancy of a Council seat (con'd)

the Board of Elections would hold a special election in the particular ward on the first Tuesday occuring 114 days after the vacancy occurs. However the Board of Elections may determine that such a vacancy could be more practicably filled in a special election held on the same day as the next general election provided that the general election would be held within 60 days of the date on which a special election would normally have been held. ie. if some one left office on June 1, aspecial election would be held on September 26. However, since Sept. 26 comes within 60 days of a general election in November, the Board of Elections may choose to run the special election on the same day as the general election. In any event any council member elected to fill a vacancy would serve out only the remainder of that term.

Vacancy of an at Large member who is affiliated with a political party. The central committee of that party would appoint a person to fill that vacancy until a special election is held. (the 114 day time period is the same as for special elections of Ward members)

If an at-Large Councilmember ~~was~~ is nonaffiliated, the Council would appoint a similarly nonaffiliated person to fill the vacancy until the special election takes place.

6. Schedule changes

There will be a Committee of the Whole Work Session on Monday followed immediately by a Legislative session. The legislative agenda for Tuesday is so long that it was decided to take care some of the legislative business on Monday.

Tuesday night's Legislative session has been moved up from 7:30 p.m. to 5:00p.m.

Note Bill Raspberry is coming to have lunch with you on Tuesday at 12:30

Make sure Julius gets home after lunch for rest before 5:00 p.m. meeting

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7. Architectural Barriers Legislation
by hand
Have circulated/copies of the emergency bill introduced by Nadine Winter. Generally comments have been favorable. Should have something more solid by Monday.

Sandy — I know your report isn't complete because you had other items this week. But could you follow up on Urban Institute traffic proposal I gave you Oct. 31. Thanks

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Sandy Brown

November 14, 1976

1. Non Criminal Police Surveillance

The Public Safety Committee is planning to meet December 9, 1976 to discuss police surveillance legislation and possibly come up with a composit bill that would incorporate elements of the Non Criminal Police Surveillance Act (the bill which you introduced), the Police Records Act (the bill Ralph Temple and the ACLU developed and you and Willie Hardy co-introduced), and Chief Cullinane's Police Regulations on non criminal intelligence gathering. The plan is, upon drafting such a bill, Willie Hardy (and you if believed the bill was adequate) would introduce the composit bill worked out in Committee in January when the new legislative session begins

Have contacted Abe Bloom and have tentatively set up a meeting for Wednesday morning November 24 (week after next) The date was pushed back at Abe's request to enable him to meet with others of the D.C. Committee on the Bill of Rights before seeing you.

2. Architectural Barriers Legislation

In the folder on the Developmental Disabilities and Architectural Barriers Commission is a copy of the "Mayor's Committee on the Handicapped and Barrier Free Environment Emergency Act". The emergency bill would set up an independent committee on the handicapped under the Mayor whose main function is to come up with recommendations on eliminating architectural barriers. (see last week's report) The bill will be considered at the legislative session on Nov 23. If the emergency act (which would remain in effect for 90 days) was passed by the Council and signed by the Mayor, it would then be introduced/as permanent legislation with the and considered

OK – you will want the D.C. Committee on the Bill of Rights to review the Hardy etc. bill asap so it can be introduced in January – + Abe's group can have a chance to review.

2. Architectural Barrier Legislation (cont'd)

new legislative session.

The emergency bill is similar to the bill that the Mayor vetoed. The principle difference is that the Mayor's Committee on the Handicapped (created by an executive order at the time the bill was vetoed) would (1) be given the duty of carrying out the provisions of the emergency act and would (2) be a part of the Mayor's office rather than a part of the Department of Human Resources.

Quickly find out what the "constituent" groups think (before the Nov. 23 vote) — also the Pres. Commission for the Handicapped. — it is more important than what we think!

3. Questionnaire Results

Attached is a copy of a draft cover letter that would be sent out with the summary of the questionnaire responses.

Fine

4. Legislative Plan

Attached is preliminary legislative plan that you asked for last week

Looks good —

5. Beverage Container Legislation

Have drafted a returnable beverage container bill (copy is in the folder on returnable Beverage Containers. Have contacted D.C. PIRG and Environmental Action for their comments and additional suggestions.) Have not been able to contact Hugh this week; he has been out of town will be back Monday.

Don't you think you should arrange meeting to discuss their comments etc. with Julius — also strategy for getting bill passed!

6. District Building Architectural Accessibility Resolution

Department of General Services has a blue print and preliminary plan for an ramp and automatic door at the 13 ½ Street entrance The bottle neck is with the Mayor's office, particularly Judy Rogers, the Mayor's liason with the Council. She want to know whether you would be willing to consider having the ramp

Julius prefers the main entrance - tell her that is how the Council voted + how it was approved

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District Building Architecutral Accessibility Res.

built at the door (which is currently closed off) nearest the Council parking lot on the 13 ½ St, side. Please Advise

Sandy — check on what happens if a Council seat is vacated — see Nov. 9 letter from Hilda Mason stating that a special election would be held and citing sections of the law?

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown November 7, 1976

1. Freedom of Information Requests

Follow up on FOIPA requests

Civil Service Commission

Tina. Response from the Bureau of Personnel Investigation is ready for signature by the Director. Response should be in next week.

Julius. Spoke to Ms. Pat Ridley of the FOI Section. Bureau of Manpower Information Information has received your October 7 letter. They have contacted the Central Record Division in St. Louis and are awaiting their information. Should have a response by early December.

FBI

Julius. FBI is processing FOIPA request. There is a large backlog. They are currently working on FOI requests that came in February 1976. The Bureau indicated that it will be at least 2 months before your FOI request will be filled.

CIA - Spoke with Daniel Mulgueen of FOI section
finished

Tina. The CIA has/checking all of its intelligence components and will be sending out a response with the next 3 to 4 weeks.

Julius. The CIA has checked all but one of it intelligence components and will be able to send a response once information from the final component is received. They could (or would) not give a clear reading on when you would get a response. Mr. Mulqueen indicated it would not be before mid December before anything would be ready to send.

OK

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Sandy Brown November 7, 1976

2 Questionnaire results

Have tabulated the responses to the questionnaires sent out with our newsletter. A draft summary of the results is attached.

3. District Building Architectural Accessibility Resolution

Have drafted a letter for your signature to Sam Starobin, Director of the Department of General Services, urging him to betin construction of the ramp now that the construction money has been identified and appropriated for the project. The letter is in the file on the "District Building Architectural Accessibility Resolution"

4. Resource Recovery

Sent a final copy of the report on Bill 1-239 the "Air Quality Control Regulations Amendment" to Hugh asking for his comments. (I sent a copy of this report to him in August)

5. Beverage Container Legislation

Referendum measures on returnable beverage containers passed in Michigan and Maine and were defeated in Colorado and Massachusetts. This could have significance for us since Michigan is a state with a large urban population. Approval in Michigan underman the arguement that only states that are predominently rural (such as Oregon and Vermont) have approved or favor beverage container legislation.

6 Developmental Disabilities and Architectural Barriers Commission Act of 1976

Ed Webb spoke with you and Nadine Winter on Friday. He proposed (and you seem to agree) that the Mayor's order establishing an

OK

Be sure to set up lunch with Hugh, you, me & Julius if he likes — to discuss possible legislation in this area. you can see how impt. this is as indicated by the questionnaire

did you follow up with phone call? This is always required when we ask people for help rather than the reverse.

I read this in paper also. Have you gotten constituent group to supply/develop legislation for us to introduce Jan 1? Who have you contacted? Does a "strategy" meeting need to be set up for Julius?

6. Developmental Disabilities and Architectural Barriers Commission Act of 1976 (con'd)

Committee on the handicapped/be enacted as emergency legislation should
However, in drafting that emergency bill he suggested that the Council amend the Mayor's order to (1) insure that the provisions of the Developmental Disabilities and Architectural Barriers Commission Act relating to eliminating architectural be included and (2) make the Committee on the Handicapped an independent body directly under the control of the executive rather than have the Committee on the Handicapped part of DHR.

Initial reaction: It sounds like a half way decent idea. Various handicapped groups have expressed reservations about having an Architectural Barriers Commission as a part of a larger group that deals with developmental disabilities (this was the way the bill which was vetoed by the Mayor had it set up) Legislating an independent Committee on the Handicapped whose duty is to come up with with recommendations to eliminate architectural barriers seems more sensible than merging the elimination of architectural barriers with the problems of the developmentally disabled (as was the case with the bill passed by the Council)

Ed Webb will come up with a proposed draft early next week. Will contact constitutent groups on this.

7. Did you follow up with Urban Inst. re article I attached under item 9 last week. — we should discuss that area also with Hugh.

Sandy — for next sunday — discuss with other staff — and develop proposed legislation plan for us.

→ asap.

Legislation/ Resolution	Being Developed by (Organization)	Staff responsibility (name)	Date Due	Introduce January 1977
1. Police Surveillance				
2. Beverage Containe				
etc.				

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown October 31, 1976

1. Initiative and Referendum Act (Bill 1-256)

The hearing on the bill went well. All of the witnesses supported the principle and concept of the initiative and referendum process. Almost all felt the bill should be amended or redrafted as a charter amendment so that an initiative measure, once approved by the voters, should have the same status as act that has been passed by the Council and signed by the Mayor. It was generally felt that the bill as presently drafted would give more power to Congress by requiring it to act affirmatively on any initiative or referendum measure that has been approved at the polls.

A copy of the witness list and some of the written testimony is included in the folder marked "PUBLIC HEARING, BILL 1-256 INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM ACT." (Also note letter form Anton Wood and the memo from the Corporation Counsel on the bill.)

The bill will not come up for a vote in this legislative period. Will prepare a draft bill as a charter amendment incorporating the changes suggested at the hearing.

2. Non Criminal Police Surveillance Legislation

Spoke with Abe Bloom this week. He and the other members of the D.C. Committee on the Bill of Rights would like to meet with you sometime in Mid November to discuss the legislation and the stategy to follow with the new legislative session in January

Note on your desk the invitation to hear I.F. Stone speak. I distributed 12 of them to the other Councilmembers since Abe had not sent any invitations to them.

— we always knew this!

who do you plan to work with you — ACLU? Can someone else do this for you? — Very sad — Council minutes can delay this for us!

— Please set up meeting as requested

also pls. follow up on Freedom of Information as indicated last week

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Sandy Brown October 31, 1976

3. District Building Architectural Accessibility Resolution

Terry Peel from the Office of Budget and Management, capital outlay division called and indicated that Congress approved the reprogramming of funds for building of the ramp at the 13 ½ Street entrance. Thus the money is available and it is up to the Department of General Services to begin constructing the ramp. There should be little or no delay, however we may wish to lobby DGS and push them to begin construction immediately. Will draft a letter to Col. Sam Starbin, Director of Dept. of General Services, to that effect for next week.

OK

4. Energy Advisory Commission Resolution

No action in the Budget Committee; they are still in the process of marking up the FY 1978 budget.

5. Beverage Container Legislation

Am preparing gathering materials in preparation for introducing Beverage Container legislation in early 1977.

Have also obtained an executive summary of FEA's report on Energy and Economic Impact of Mandatory Deposits. Will obtain the full report as soon as it is available from the GPO

— Remember you don't draft legislation — you get other constituent groups to do this if at all possible. Discuss with groups with major interest (or with Hugh) and get them to do 1st draft for you.

6. Questionnaire Results

Am tabulating the results. will have a preliminary report on this next week.

7. Schedule note

There will be a Committee of the Whole Work Session on Monday at 10:00 a.m. followed by a Legislative meeting.

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown October 31, 1976

8. Developmental Disabilities and Architectural Barriers Commission Act
on Mayor's veto of the bill
Draft press release/is in the appropriate folder

9. Sandy — I asked last week about our energy/environment legislation? How about resource recovery — did you send material to Hugh Kaufman for review (committee report etc)?

✓ By the end of November (30th), please have list of recommended legislation by all staff. By the end of Dec. we should have 10 Bills to introduce/reintroduce immediately. (at least).

✓ Visit the organizations (or get interns to do so) with model bills — also Barbara Bick of Institute for Policy Studies, ACLU, etc. We are not nearly using the resources of this community & Hugh ought to have some new ideas — have lunch with him again

Sandy — we are going to have to speed up & improve our output — either by getting interns to work for us or by getting Poli-Sci classes (or law classes) to develop legislation/resolutions as class projects!

The staff should also be reading the newspapers/magazines for ideas. For instance, when we asked you to develop something on air pollution & I was interested in enacting the type of idea reflected in the attached article & it doesn't just penalize suburbanites but everybody. Contact the Urban Institute & follow up immediately. This idea plus parking tax could have a major impact on pollution & energy use.

(you should read the NYT every Sunday)

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown

October 24, 1976

1. Initiative and Referendum Act (Bill 1-256)

Hearings are scheduled for Friday, October 29, 1976. in the folder
A fact sheet on the bill is enclosed in the folder. Also note the letter from Kieth Stroup of NORML and your response. We may want to consider next time making an initiated measure that has received an affirmative vote an act, equal in status to an act passed by the Council and signed by the Mayor, which would be transmitted to Congress for its 30 day review in the same manner as Council legislation.

2. Freedom of Information Requests Good summary

No new developments; in the file is a summary sheet(s) listing letters that you and Tina have sent and resposnses which you have both received to date.

3. Non Criminal Police Surveillance Legislation
next week
Will contact Abe Bloom/to set up a meeting with you to discuss Police Surveillance legislation that has been introduced. OK

4. D.C. Developmental Disabilities and Architectural Barriers Committsion Act (Bill 1-167) - formerly the Architectural Barriers Act

In the folder on Architectural Barriers is a copy of the Mayor's veto message and Nadine Winter's press statement in response.

The Council has 30 days (beginning October 5) in which to override the Mayor's veto. Housing & Urban Development Committee staff indicated that the Committee plans to present the bill to the Council for an override vote on or before November 10.

Note edited fact sheet

If the council votes to go thru the long Home Rule change — some will vote on this because they know they won't have to be "bothered by the public" for 2 years. Can we do both — one (B 1-256) for short run (next election) + one for long term?

Dave, please phone (as you have time) each office sent letter which has not replied. In last column note when they state we should expect letter/info. I note we have 3 letters from FBI to J.H — don't have time to read, sounds confusing — what should we do next.

→ we should also issue an immediate press statement on such incidents related to our bills - timing

Make sure your "constituents" do a bit of lobbying on this bill — particularly with Doug Moore, Jerry + ? Maybe they would all like to come down at one time?

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown October 24, 1976

5. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act

The bill is being retyped to have it prepared for introduction again in 1977.

6. Legislative time table

The Council will recess after December 17, 1976. Thus:

- Bills must be reported out of Committee and filed with the Secretary's Office by November 10 for consideration at the Committee of the Whole work session on November 15; this would put legislation in the pipeline to be considered on subsequent first and second readings on November 23 and December 7, 1976 respectively. December 7 is the last legislative meeting scheduled before the Council recesses

- Resolutions must be reported out by the Committee and filed with the Secretary by November 17 for consideration at the November 22 Committee of the Whole Work Session and subsequent vote at the December 7 legislative meeting.

7. How about our energy/environment resolutions, etc?

– who needs to review again? You have time to send it out for one more review. Also Galadut (sp?) college.

What does this mean to us – what should we have done?

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown

October 17, 1976

1. Non Criminal Police Surveillance Legislation:

Ralph Temple spoke with Julius on Friday morning (10/15) concerning the Police Surveillance legislation now pending in the Public Safety Committee. Ralph suggested and you agreed that we should hold off on pressuring the Committee to report a bill out until January. Willie Hardy is presently working on drafting a bill that would incorporate the elements of the Non Criminal Police Surveillance Act (Bill 1-287), the Police Records Act (Bill 1-362) and the Metropolitan Police Surveillance guidelines and is planning to introduce a composite bill in January. She has a number of law students working on this project and Ralph indicated that he is working closely with them.

2. Freedom of Information Act Requests:

No new developments; however the file has been organized chronologically to give you a record of correspondance sent and responses received since June. You may wish to review.

3. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act (Bill 1-274)

To date no hearings have been scheduled on this bill. The Committee staff has indicated that it is unlikely that the Public Service and Consumer Affairs Committee will not be able to consider the bill and report it out of Committee for full Council consideration before January 1977. We should plan to re introduce legislation at the first of the year.

4. Initaitive and Referendum Act (Bill 1-256)

Hearings are scheduled for Friday, October 29, 1976. The chances of the bill being considered by the Committee of the Whole and voted on by the Council in two legislative sessions

Abe Bloom said his group wanted to meet with Julius and has some problems with Bill 1-362 — perhaps you should call him.

As you have time, could you do a summary sheet. Something like this — maybe Lorraine can do.

Letter to Agency	Date sent	Interim reply (date)	Reply (date) (name of person signing)

Prepare to reintroduce

What steps do we need to take to get ready for this hearing? Pls have everything ready by next Sunday. Does Julius need a "constituent" strategy meeting?

4. Initiative and Referendum Act (con'd)

before the end of the year is slim.

5. Energy Advisory Commission Resolution (P.R. 1-221)

As you recall the resolution was transferred to the Committee on the Budget inSeptember where it could be considered in conjunction with Bill 1-197 the "Energy Conservation Act" (Bill 1-197) with the idea of combining elements of both pieces of legislation.

The Budget Committee will be occupied with the FY 1978 Budget through early November. Expect action on this legislation once the consideration moves beyond the Council.
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6. Resource Recovery

Bill 1-239, the "Air Quality Control Regulations Amendment No. 2" was passed on final reading on October 12, 1976. Among other things that bill called on DES to submit a comprehensive solid waste management plan for D.C. to the Council by 1978. More details of how the study would be done is spelled out on p. 14 of the Committee's report that accompanied the bill. (see the folder on resource recovery.)

7. D.C. State Fair Resolution

Am getting information on the state fair in California from the California Exposition and State Fair Office. Rhunita Gray, an intern downstairs, is also getting information from Virginia and Maryland on their state fairs. Good.

8. D.C. Federation of Civic Associations

You are to receive its George H. Richardson Memorial Award for

— follow-up

I won't ask again if you sent a copy of this to HK — from now on I will just assume you will do so on every environmental bill. Ask him for his review/comments. What happened to our resolution? this is too little, too late! Lets discuss with Hugh in Nov. — & recommend what environmental bills Jim should introduce/push!

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8. D.C. Federation of Civic Associations

Human Relations on Saturday October 23. The banquet will be held at the Sheraton Park Hotel at 7:30 (cocktails at 6:30 PM) in Sheraton Hall Room. The office should receive the official notice early next week. Apparently there was a mix up within the Federation and some one failed to send you a letter notifying you that you were to receive the award.

Dave - we all need to collect ideas/specifics for introducing bills/resolutions 1st thing in January. We can plan to spend some time late Nov. early Dec. getting bills etc. organized.. Watch the newspapers/magazines during early Nov. to see what other states voted on affirmatively/ which we can introduce here.

Also - organize returns from questionaires for ideas/volunteers. Expand your "constituent" list from newspapers, etc. Lorraine can help.

Chris'.

Pat Miner
Sandy Brown
July 30, 1976

Weekly Report

1. Unit Budgeting

I will have final draft letter to PTA's along with final package to PTA president's on Sunday two weeks away ... August 15. Envelopes and packages will be ready to go by then. I talked with our clerical people, and it will have to go to the District Printer because it is so many pages. To be included are: Report, Resolution, and Forms ... accompanied by a letter based on report and earlier background statement to the PTA presidents ... Also civic associations's educational committees?

yes ?

2. OYOS

Final reading on September 15, 1976. Sterling and I discussed it briefly at Conrad's graduation Party; he really supports the action.

3. Teachers' Salary Act

Final reading on September 15, 1976. No problems.

4. FY 1978 Budget

Tentatively, the Education Committee's budget forum's are scheduled for September 8th and 9th. Prior to this time, I have to develop preliminary questions for each of the agencies I will have draft copies on your desk on August 15th.

5. Vacation

I will be on leave next week. I will be back at work the week of August 9th and plan to take a few additional days the week of the 17th. Sandy will be on leave the week of ... also final week in August. Dave back on 9th.

keep this (these) lists a permanent mailing list of "constituents"!

only include ① our letter from Julius and ② background statement ③ Public ... and ④ booklet, resolution ... Etc. ... too much material + confusion. ... is draft our letter. Then it's sent done with Julius then on 2nd ... since we will ... it on ... ... Anything that needs to be sent out over Julius's signature must be cleared by Sat. (We plan to be gone two weeks).

Remember no questions are to be sent anywhere without a full discussion and approval by Julius.

Pat - thought you were taking 3 weeks ... to Calif? Julius wants anyone taking vacation schedule during Aug. when Council is not,

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Pat Miner
Sandy Brown

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5. Police Surveillance

Enclosed in the folder is a copy of the Police Records Act which you co-introduced with Willie Hardy this past week. This was the bill that Ralph Temple drafted. The bill compliments the Non Criminal Police Surveillance bill which you introduced in May. Am not sure of the Committee's disposition on reporting out either of the two bill before the first of the year. The Public Safety Committee staff incidacted that Hardy wants to wait to January and introduce a composit bill that combines elements of the Police Records Act, the Non Criminal Police Surveillance Act, and the Police Chief's guidelines.

Also attached is a short letter to the FBI submitting your notarized signature in order for them to contiue to process your Freedom of Information and Privacy Act request.

If you want a copy of your arrest and conviction record (as opposed to general FBI intelligence/surveillance records) you must submit a written request to the FBI Identification Division accompanied by $5 and a notarized signature. Please advise if you want this.

Initiative and Referendum and

Tucker stated at the Committee of the Whole meeting that he would report the bill out of Committee with no recommendation before the Council session ends in December.

Statehood

Tucker also stated that he would report the Statehood bill out of Committee in late September or early October without a recommendation. We should draft a favorable report on the legislation on our own and have that (as well as any amendments to the original bill that we may want to introduce) ready to distribute to the Councilmembers when the bill is reported out to the full Council.

Have to send to the Bloomsite for review.

so you had better get your vacations over with now. the exception this year is Lorraine and possibly Dave since he has to use it only. Please don't feel hurt if vacation time is not approved between Sept 1 and Xmas. If people want to use Xmas & New Years that should be solved now. Next year all vacations should be scheduled during August.

ok with no medical.

Of course we must get everything in writing. I suggest this had all been done last week. get this in the mail as soon as you can

That is the date. Send Julia's statement to Councilmembers with cover letter to "each list" - if no all draft ltr to not sure so letter can be mailed while we are away

Good idea. Lets try to notify parties favorable report & get dates - if to [illegible] send to Tuesday's [illegible]

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Pat Miner
Sandy Brown

July 30, 1976

1. Energy Advisory Commission Resolution

Attached in the folder is a memo to Tucker requesting that the resolution be withdrawn from the Government Operations Committee to the Budget Committee.
again
I want to touch base/with both Arrington Dixon and Doug Moore before doing this to make sure they have no objections.

Also a copy of the Energy Conservation Act (Bill 1-197) is in the folder on the Energy Advisory Commission Resolution.

Resource Recovery

We not had time to evaluate Bill 1-239 concerning the operation of Incinerator #5 and the provision calling for a comprehensive study of the District's solid waste system. Will send a copy to Hugh to see what he says.

The Budget Committee is planning to deal with the Energy Conservation Act in mid September, thus we should get the resolution transferred this month if possible if you want to take this course of action.
draft
In the notebook is a/cover letter, an updated summary of your Council Activities and last years questionaire.

When we send this out all the printing and reproduction expenses as well as the mailing costs should be done "out of pocket" to avoid any question on using public money for sending out a news letter.

Your recommendation appears to be a good one — please follow through.

see how our position differs + what steps we need to take and when.

Right, just as we did last time! Questionaire needs to be updated + updated also mailing list expanded to include PTA Presidents + civic assoc. educ. contacts, etc. etc. Pic need citizens home for typing + get to mail.

Pat Miner
Sandy Brown
July 23, 1976

Weekly Report

Glad to see executive comments — why didn't they think of this 7 years ago!

. Capit Budgeting I have spoken with Frank Cush who will be meeting with Ed Winner of the Public Schools to try and define the problems with compliance with the resolution. The comments in the folder from the Executive Branch. They are supportive and wish to continue dialogue with the committee for the duration of the process. Their only criticism and problem will be compling on the dates which we have established. Frank Cush will be letting me know what dates they think that they can comply by. He assumes that the resolution will stand as it is; but is primarily interested in making sure that it is actually implemented.

We also feel that we didn't have the Executive Comments earlier because they were so supportive of the resolution. I have been investigating about how to duplicate the copies of the resolution for dessimination to principals. There may be a concern that the Executive side will do the duplication for us when they publish the approved resolution in the Register. Question: do we want to include charts? I think that the charts on schools only would be helpful since we have - for both District and federal funds. Question: do we want to send the resolution itself to principals?

We want to include our "package" background/ press release/ resolution & charts — to PT/A's (principals — how would Reed feel about that) with cover letter from Julie explaining how this process will be valuable to them & asking for their support & continued effort to improve data.

Teachers's Salary Amendments

Will be on the agenda for first reading on Tuesday. The Board on Monday requested further information to utilize at time of approval regarding the Board on Teacher certification which has been received. I circulated it to Willie and Spaulding on Friday of week. Pursuant to comments made by Legislative Counsel at the Committee/Whole work session, it was recommended that we make one technical amendment to the bill; it would have no effect on the substance of the bill. The text of the amendment is on p.5 of the bill in the folder.

Brief Julie on exactly what he should do at mtg.

3. CNOS

Will be on the agenda for first reading on Tuesday. The Neighborhood Planning Council folks are still uptight. I discussed with Ed Webb; he said that if the Council gets nervous about backing the political pressure, that he

Be sure to Xerox another statement and fact sheet to put at Council members place before meeting (if they aren't normally there to receive it)

Sandy Brown
Pat Miner

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21, 1976 cont.

will have to remind them that they have already approved the action in the FY 77 budget; to change now will require major reprogramming.

FY 1978 Budget

The budget forum which was scheduled for Thursday the 22nd was cancelled because of the Mayor's desire to refrain from Council inquiry at this time. There will, most [illegible], be no further Council activity on the FY 78 budget until the week after Labor Day. The Mayor and Comer Coppie felt that, with the agencies working to complete their budget submissions for the Exective side, that there was insufficient time for them to spare for Council budget review now. The budget forums will probably occur, beginning the first week in September. We officially receive the budget on the 19th of september.

Much better idea!

[illegible] Licensure Commission Act

[illegible] by Spaulding and referred to his committee, it [illegible] reported out and will come up for vote on Tuesday. [illegible] will consolidates the post-secondary licensing functions [illegible] formally under the Board of Higher Education, [illegible] course approval formally under the Board of [illegible] licenses for proprietary schools which have [illegible] by the Department of Economic Development, [illegible] executive branch voiced many objections to the bill [illegible] initially introduced. D.C. Public School personnel [illegible] with him on the issue of transferring the VA course benefits out of the Public Schools; the proper [illegible] Education committee has also approved the proposal [illegible] tails transferring the federal funds which pay [illegible] or and secretary. The Board is set to vote [illegible] later this month. Conceptually the bill is [illegible], I'm not too sure of the quality of the work [illegible] the bill. It won't have second reading until [illegible] so any kinks should be able to be worked out... [illegible] See attached report.

Who is for & against?

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Sandy Brown

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[illegible] Recovery Planning Resolution (P.R. 1-240) was [illegible] on July 20, 1976 and assigned to the Committee [illegible] and Environmental Affairs chaired by Rev. [illegible]. Copies of the legislative package were distributed to all Councilmembers., the press and sent out to [illegible] contacts on this issue.

[illegible] look at a draft report put out by the Transportation & Environmental Affairs Committee on Bill 1-239 concerning operation of Incinerator #5. In that bill and report the [illegible] calls for the Department of Environmental Services [illegible] submit to the Council a comprehensive solid waste [illegible] study to look at all solid waste disposal techniques and report back to the Council no later than Dec. [illegible]. (See pp. 3, 19, 20 and 21 of the report - in the [illegible].

[illegible] would encompass just about every thing we are calling [illegible] in P.R. 1-240. It is interesting that this was considered [illegible] after yo[illegible] introduced the resolution.

[illegible] Advisory Resolution:

[illegible]ington Dixon forwarded a copy of the Corporation Counsel's [illegible] on Resolution P.R. 1-221, the "Energy Advisory [illegible]ission Resolution." Apparently the Corporation Counsel [illegible]eves that the legislation exceeds the powers of the Council [illegible]ally given to it for resolutions and should be an act. [illegible] copy of the comments is in the folder)

Budget Committee is presently considering Bill 1-197, the [illegible]rgy Conservation Act (introduced by Jerry Moore). the [illegible] was reported out of Committee last month but was recommended because of some technical problems. (copy of the bill

Interesting! lets keep watching the energy component — how about "competitive bids" — p's. evaluate. When does that Bill come up in Committee? We need to discuss strategy. How much time do we have.

p.3 - does this provide for competitive bids?! — or will we get in the same old mess?

see p. 20 — the initial study will be by competitive bid — or we refuse to do it!
(we may have to write paper in opposition)

Weekly Review

Pat Miner
Sandy Brown July 23, 1976

Energy Advisory Commission Resolution (cont'd)

d the report are in the folder on the Energy Advisory Commission) We may wish to consider requesting that Chairman Rucker withdraw the resolution from the Government Operations Committee and refer it to the Budget Committee where it can be considered in conjunction with the Energy Conservation Act. The staff of the Budget Committee indicated that there would be no problem at looking at both pieces of legisation and using the best parts of both. The Budget Committee staff is presently committed to moving on a version of the Energy Conservation Act in September. This could enable you to get credit for introducing energy conservation legislation and having an end product result. I think this may be the best way of getting your legislation through the legislative process. Please advise.

How do we go about doing this? Pls. draft proper papers next week — when I will have more time to read bill & consider. Looks like a very good idea — if we need to move fast, lets!

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown
Pat Miner July 16, 1976

couldn't locate draft press release — could you read to me over phone?

[redacted] vote on the resolution is scheduled for [redacted] session on July 20, 1976 - Tuesday. See [redacted] and thank you letter to CEC and [redacted] relying us to develop the format for [redacted] I have heard unofficially from the office [redacted] (Report) that the official [redacted] reaction will be favorable, although with nega- [redacted] comments about the time-frame proposed for reporting [redacted] depends also on it [redacted]

[redacted] has been filed and appointed by the [redacted] - will be on the agenda of the Committee of the [redacted] on Monday for discussion. (See Fact Sheet. I did not [redacted] a press release because it is still in committee and [redacted] reporters who normally covered this topic have been [redacted] New York covering the convention. I will have a press [redacted] on this for the approval by the Council at July 27th [redacted] meeting.

retyped & duplicate for Council members

[redacted] Teachers' Salar[redacted] will be reported by the committee and filed- [redacted] Committee of the Whole on Monday [redacted] discussion. (See Fact Sheet). The technical amendments [redacted] all added and approved. See letter to Vincent Reed and [redacted] Board of Education outlining the rationale for including these [redacted] amendments to the pay raise bill.

OK

Committee of the Whole, July 19 --- OYOS Reorganization
Teachers' Salary
Legislative Session, July 20 --- Unit Budgeting
Legislative Session, July 27 --- OyOS Reorganization
Teachers' Salary

→ It looks great — delighted for you all — we will need to celebrate togethe[redacted] graduation party Thursday the [redacted] Comment — block type paragraphs [redacted] spaced & strive to make reports [redacted] is the best way to assure that [redacted] a copy of this report?

→ Typing looks great! But lets continue to strive for short pointed reports [redacted] How can we now do a "unit budgeting" Dept. of Recreation / Youth? Define [redacted] reporting system which will tell us [redacted] and what we get for the money.

Sandy Brown

Pat Hiner July 16, cont.

1978 Budget Process

See his summary dated June 27th attached

you may recall, Sandy included in his weekly report, several weeks ago, a copy of a paper from STerling Tucker lining budget issues for FY 1978 and outlining a process Council action during the next few months. By default us had the Budget Committee set up tentative meeting [illegible] with each Committee. At these ings, each Committee is supposed to reveiw the budgets various program components in each department and gather formation on operations, etc. This is to "insure" that Councilmember understands their piece of the truf -- ause I anticipate that as the Council will be working to stically curtail city costs. Mayors' estimates are that need something like $150 million more for just what are operating this year - to maintain similar services in 1978

go, the budget committee has established several times for Education Committee to go over programs. See attached o from Lynn Scholz detailing dates. I would propose that ontact Libraries and Recreation and ask them to discuss ir operations with us on July 22, 1976 and contact lic schools and higher Education and ask them to present us on July 29. There are still other times available ing the next two weeks, as we desire... These would be formal meetings. Please advise.

OK

o from Tucker and schedule from Scholz are in cluded in ler marked FY 1978 Budget Process..

[illegible] indicated that [illegible] reveiwing the contracts [illegible] provide us with their analysis.

Good

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown
Dan Miner

July 18, 1976

Resource Recovery

The package (bill, background statement, and press release) is in the folder on resource recovery and ready to go.

What is your disposition? Will discuss with you on Monday if you desire.

→ Please — or introduce memo!
Good job + thanks to mailer.
Be sure to send copies to "three groups".

Claudia Bowron
Ed Miller

July 9, 1976

Weekly Review

1. Unit Budgeting
Has passed Committee of The Whole review for legal sufficiency, administrative details, and proper drafting. Will be on the agenda for vote on July 20, 1976. Next week I will have a draft press release for your review - for release on July 20.
Re your inquiry about co-sponsors -- that can only be done at introduction.

2. Board of Education's Legislative Program for 1976
This week, I met with Ed Webb, and three of the Board and Superintendent's legal staff to discuss the legislative package (Diane Lewis - the representative at all of our meetings, George Margolies - Supt's advisor, and Gene Page - one of the Board's staff) At that time we discusses Board priorities for action on the five bills as well as the time constraints here at the Council during the next few months prior to the end of the Council session in December.
The following consensus was reached:
Three bills would be introduced and referred to the Committee:
1. allowing contracting authority to the Board=
2. Repealing Council involvement in the classification of Teachers' Salary act positions and giving that power to the Board.
3. Allowing the Board rather than the Council to establish non-resident tuition rates, and further empowering the Board to establish a revolving fund for the use of those funds without regard to fiscal year. (approximately 60,000 dollars per year)

The other two bills were handled in the floowing manner:
1. Bill to allow the Board of Ed. to use a judicially noticed seal - e.g. for diplomas and board documents - referred to John Risher for an opinion - Ed felt that the Board already had that power and ergo no legislation necessary.

all comments on Pat's — no need to have 2 notebooks unless you wish. Also be sure to brief Dave on all environmental/energy resolutions + bills.

Sandy Brown
Pat Miner

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2. Bill to make technical changes in the Teacher's Salary Act - already approved and implemented by the Board of Education since 1974 (Corporation Counsel had already ruled that there were errors and allowed current action) ==== these changes are offered as amendments to Bill 1-271 the Teacher's Pay Raise -This obviates the need to intorduce the bill and have a series of meetings on pure technicalities and the action would take place immediately -- see report draft and bill on Teachers' Pay Raise.

3. OYOS

I have redrafted the bill - tentatively approved by Ed Webb and the Legislative Counsel has reviewed for drafting errors etc. I have incorporated some of the provisions which the NPC/s sought to have added to the bill - I agree with everything in the bill - the additions to the bill merely set forth the structural way that the recreation department should deal with NEghborhood Planning Councils -It should also please the community although they would probably never admit it.
Evie Washington has been meeting with other Council members asking their support against the bill - Several of them have asked me what your opinion is on the matter -Sterling Tucker, John Wilson, Arrington Dixon, Polly Shackleton - Spaulding and Willie are still in agreement with the transfer - The other Councilmembers will support the will of the committee and your wishes.
The report and redrafted bill are provided for your reveiw - They will obviously have to retyped, etc. but that will be in time for our meeting... and committee action.

4. Committee Meeting
I have scheduled a committee meeting for Wednesday at 10:30

instead of on Thursday as usual. The reason for that is that in order for the Teacher's Pay Raise to be on the agenda and for the OYOS reorganization to be on the agenda at the July 27th meeting - they must be filed on the 14th and considered at the ~~x~~ Committee on the Whole on Monday July 19. If we have any corrections to make to the bill - which I doubt, there will be no problem preparing amendment for the legislative session. I expect that, except for Mr. Spaulding making millions of statements for the record, that the meeting should not be too long. The Neighborhood Planning Council's are following our actions pretty closely, so I would expect that some of them may attend the meeting.

5. Teachers' Pay Raise

Sandy added the technical amendments to the Teacher's Pay Raise bill for me and redid the report, adding section-by-section analysis to reflect the changes made. As the bill stands now, it does exactly what the earlier emergency bills did with the addidition of the technical amendments - See Sandy's report in the folder on the bill. He incorporated supporting language from the Board of Education's materials and has attached all pertinent documents which are required for the report. Quite a report I think - especially in terms of documenting all that has tranpired on that issue. Sandy has typed a copy for your review - the typing pool has not ~~xxxx~~ yet finished the report and bill on the computer yet, although we have some rather ptimtive drafts - It will be ready for committee review and filing - altho if we have to we can go with what we have and have the computer pick it up later in the week. With filing on Wednesday, it will be on the agenda of July 19 COW and agenda of July 27th Legislative meeting.

6. Interns

Antioch Law school has interns available for the next six months period - I can have one for the committee if we want - I think that if their time per week is sufficient, it could be helpful. Please advise.

Sandy Brown
Pat Miner

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7. Resource Recovery:
Have drafted a press release to go with the background report and the "Resource Recovery Planning Resolution.

How do we want to introduce?

1. By filing with the Secretary and distributing the material to the Councilmembers and the Press.or

2. Introducing at the next legislative session (July 20) and distribute t the Councilmembers and the Press before the legislative session. Pleas advise.

8. For the sake of saving time Pat and I collaborated on this week's report. Copies of this report will be in both our notebooks. Pleas advise if you have objections with this procedure.

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown

July 4, 1976

1. Resource Recovery

Checked the resolution and background statement with Hugh. He thought it looked good. Will prepare to introduce upon your approval.

Good job — lets prepare to introduce. Do we need a press release? then turn over to Dave — or you will have too much to do.

2. Police Surveillance

Hearings are scheduled for the "Non Criminal Police Surveillance Act for Friday July 9, 1976 begining at 10:a.m. Dave will be able to provide more details.

don't worry about this — turn over 100% to Dave but be sure to brief him

3. Architectural Barriers Act

The Bill will come up for discussion at the Committee of the Whole meeting on July 6. Have notified the handicapped constituents about the meeting. Will come up for a first reading and vote on July 20.

The final amended version of Bill 1-167 and the Committee report is in the folder on Architectural Barriers.

After July 6 meeting — be sure to turn over to Dave any remaining duties

Will work on a resolution requesting that all polling places be accessible for next week.

If this is easy OK. Otherwise let Dave do — eventually you will be swamped with budget stuff. thanks

OYOS Reorganization

Have drafted a very preliminary report on Bill 1-307 giving a general background and a basic rationale for Committee action. Pat and I will be working on this next week and hope to get a more detailed report in for next week. We want to have the bill ready so that it can come up for a first reading on July 26. (see Pat's report for additional details (Copy of the draft is in Pat's folder on OYOS Reorganization)

Good

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown

July 4, 1976

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OK

NAME (*Print or type—Last, First, Middle Initial*)
Brown, Paul Sanders

IDENTIFICATION NO.

ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT
D.C. City Council

FROM (*Mo., Day, Hr.*) 8/23/76 a.m. p.m.

TO (*Mo., Day, Hr.*) 8/30/76 a.m. p.m.

NO. OF HOURS 48

TYPE OF LEAVE ☒ ANNUAL –"I understand that any annual leave authorized in excess of the amount available to me during the leave year will be charged to LWOP." ☐ SICK—Complete other side of this form. ☐ WITHOUT PAY ☐ COMPENSATORY ☐ OTHER (*Specify*)

REMARKS

SIGNATURE OF EMPLOYEE Paul Sanders Brown

DATE

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete above part of form. If applying for sick leave, check appropriate box on back (top) of form. If you were under care of a doctor, he should complete "CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN OR PRACTITIONER" also on back.

OFFICIAL ACTION ON APPLICATION

☐ APPROVED ☐ DISAPPROVED (*If disapproved, give reason*)

SIGNATURE AND DATE

STANDARD FORM 71
Revised September 1970

71-110

APPLICATION FOR LEAVE

U.S. CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
FPM Suppl. 990-2

EMPLOYEE *(If applying for sick leave)*

DURING THIS ABSENCE I WAS:

INCAPACITATED FOR DUTY BY:
- ☐ SICKNESS
- ☐ ON-THE-JOB INJURY
- ☐ OFF-THE-JOB INJURY
- ☐ PREGNANCY AND CONFINEMENT

☐ UNDERGOING MEDICAL, DENTAL, OR OPTICAL EXAMINATION OR TREATMENT

☐ REQUIRED TO CARE FOR A MEMBER OF MY FAMILY WITH A CONTAGIOUS DISEASE (*Give name and relationship of member of family, and name of disease*)

☐ REQUIRED TO BE ABSENT BECAUSE OF EXPOSURE TO CONTAGIOUS DISEASE (*Give name of disease and circumstances of exposure*)

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN OR PRACTITIONER

NAME OF EMPLOYEE

POSITION OCCUPIED

PERIOD UNDER PROFESSIONAL CARE

FROM (*Mo., Day, Year*)

TO (*Mo., Day, Year*)

REMARKS

THE EMPLOYEE NAMED WAS UNDER MY PROFESSIONAL CARE DURING THE PERIOD STATED ABOVE. From the medical standpoint, his condition during this period was such that I considered it inadvisable for him to report to work.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

☆ GPO—1973—502-973

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Weekly Review

Sandy Brown

June 27, 1976

1. Resource Recovery:

Senate and House Conferees voted on Wednesday, June 23 to delete the $9.6 million from the capital budget for the resource recovery project at Lorton, Va. (see newspaper article in the folder)

Have drafted a resolution directing the Mayor to go back to the"drawing board" and a background report. (copies of drafts are in the folder on resource recovery)

Good!

— be sure & check this with H.W.K. (or tell me you already have) before I review — it saves us all time. O.K.? Looks good.

2. Police Surveillance:

Have turned this over to Dave; he has the complete file and will be getting out those letters to the FBI, CIA, CSC and the Metropolitan Police Department requesting the files they have on Tina and will follow through on the hearings on the Non Criminal Police Surveillance Act to be held on July 9.

The press conference concerning the filing of the class action suit scheduled for last Thursday was postpone. The ACLU wanted to revise the final brief before filing. The press conference is scheduled for sometime next week. Sammie Abbott will let us know about the details.

Please alert me — I would like to attend if possible.

3. Initiative and Referendum

Have given this to Dave to follow through; To date no hearings have been scheduled.

— I thought this is one you wanted to keep? Feel free to take back from Dave if you wish.

3. OYOS Reorganization:

Will be drafting a report (under Pat's direction) next week as we ge Unit Budgeting squared away. We will try to have a preliminary draft for next weekend.

— Good

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown

June 20, 1976

1. Police Surveillance:

Public hearings have been scheduled for July 9 on Bill 1-287, the :Non Criminal Police Surveillance Act". Have notified the "constituents" on this issue inviting them to testify. Also included in the leter a copy of the bill and the hearing notice. A copy of the letter is enclosed in the folder on Police Surveillanc.

Letters to FBI, CIA and Metropolitan Police Dept. requesting to see your files are also in the folder on police surveillance

2. Architectural Barriers Act

The Committee on Housing and Urban Development has marked up Bill 1-167 and is reporting out an amended version of the bill. The bill would establish a D.C. Development Disabilities and Architectural Barriers Commission that would (1) establish publish and enforce a code for barrie free design that would ensure accessibility to public buildings and facilities by handicapped individuals (2) receive and review complaints on alleged violation of that code for barrier free design. The bill would also set penalties of between $100 and $1,000 for non-compliance.

Legislative schedule for the bill:

July 12 Committee of the Whole Work Session
July 13, first reading and vote in legislative session
July 27 second readin g and vote in legislative session

To date there has been no opposition to the bill; there should be no problems with it passing the Council.

Copy of the amended bill and report is in the folder.
There were a number of handicapped constituents who attended the Committee meeting.

Sandy good job — now I think you should turn this over to Dave since you ~~have~~ have the most work (after the press conference).

I've asked Dave to write letters from me requesting my files (on plain paper) — following your example.

Sounds like a good step. Why don't you turn this over to Dave now for follow up. What role does the Council play?

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown

June 20, 1976

3. Initiative and Referendum Act

Enclosed in the folder are copies of two letters that ACLU and NORML have sent to Tucker urging him to hold hearings on this bill. A number of people have indicated that they have called Tucker's office.

If the bill was passed within the next month, it would not take effect until sometime in early 1977 because of the 30 day Congression review period. (a day in this case is defined when bothe Houses of Congress are in session -- with the election and the normal Congressional recess schedule, there be no way that the bill could become effective in time for the November electior

4. Energy Advisory Commission Resolution

The Government Operations Staff is requesting executive comments on the resolution. The Committee should have something from the executive within two weeks; they contemplate Committee action sometime in July.

5. Resource Recovery

The Congress should come out with a finalized version of the D. C. budget (including the capital budget and the resource recovery project) with the next two weeks. Will draft a resolution next week directing the Mayor to go back to the "drawing board" on t this issue.

6. Consumer Debt Collection Fair Practice Act

Have gotten the model legislation from the Council of State Governments (see the folder) and can begin to put the bill into appropriate D.C. legislative form and prepare for introduction.

How about giving this to Dave for follow-up — keep in touch with Tucker's office, until we get date set... etc. every week

Great!

Good

Let's discuss whether you want to continue with this or give to Dave — depends on work load.

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown

June 13, 1976

Sandy - This is a pre excellent report. I will call you Monday

1. Architectural Barriers Act :

Have arranged for the Handicapped people who helped me to draft the original bill to meet with you on Tuesday, June 15 at 12 noon to discuss their position vis a vis the Housing and Urban Development Committee's mark up.

The Housing and Urban Development Committee will meet on Friday June 18 to consider the bill. The Handicapped constituents will be there for you to call on.

Sandy Have you briefed Dave on this? He should review file & review issues before the meeting

2. Police Surveillance:

A number of constituents have been in contact with Willie Hardy urging her to schedule hearings on the bill - no movement by the Public Safety Committee thus far.

you may wish to contact Mrs. Hardy personally to urge that public hearings be held. Another po-sibility is contacting Marion Barry who co-sponsored the bill and is a member of the Public Safety Committee to push the scheduling of a hearing date.

Sandy, Did you check with Dave re the Bloom + ACLU Bill? Has she seen the bill - how does it differ from ours?

for Federal

Procedures for obtaining information under the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act:

Dave should have Lorraine write letters asking for our "file" from FBI, CIA and CSC

FBI: written request addressed to
The Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
10th and Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, D.C. 20535

The written request must include
complete name
date of birth
place of birth
paragraph explaining why you feel you may have been the subject of FBI surveillance

FBI requests will be handled in chronological order based on the date of receipt. the person to whom I spoke indicated that there was quite a backlog and fulfilling the request may take several months.

CIA: written request addressed to:
Information and Privacy Coordinator
Central Intelligenc Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Written request must include
full name
home address
birth date
place of birth

the signature must be noterized. The CIA will send a letter acknowledging receipt of the request within 10 days after receipt.

Civil Service Commission

written request addressed to
Bureau of Manpower Information Systems
Civil Service Commission
19th and E Strees, NW
Washington, D.C. 20415

Written request must include:
full name
social security number
home address
dates last employed with Federal Gov't

Should indicate of envelope "Privacy and Freedom of Information Act Request"

D. C. Police: written requests addressed to:
Chief Maurice Cullinane
Metropolitan Police Dept.
300 Indiana Ave., NW
Washington, D.C. 20001

No specific instructions other than to put in writing the request for information that you want.
(Have draft letters to the CIA,FBI, & D.C. Police requesting information attached)

3. Energy Advisory Resolution:

Resolution introduced and filed with the Secretary on Wed. June 9. The resolution assigned number P.R. 1-221 and assigned to the Committee on Government Operations, chaired by Arrington Dixon with comments form the Committee on Public Servoce and Consumer Affairs, chaired by John Wilson.

4. Initiative and Referendum:

A number of people have called or wirtten Tucker urging him to schedule hearings. Tucker and much of his staff has been out of town this week; there has been no movement in the Committee of the Whole on this.

5. Air Pollution:

The person Hugh knows at EPA who is knowledgeable on this has been on leave. Will meet with them next week. Sandy — you should continue to meet with Hugh.

6. Resource Recovery .

The Senate Appropriations Subcommittee has cut the $9.6 million from the capital budget for the resource recovery project. If the subcommittee's cut is upheld as expected by the full Senate Appropriations Committee, the Senate will meet in conference Committee with the House Appropriations Committee to iron out

good — briefed. Be sure that Wilson's staff is

do you have copies of the letters written to Tucker? What had called? Shall we set up a meeting with Julius & "constituents" on this issue to determine next step. If bill was signed by county — how soon would it become effective. Should recall provision be added?

differences (The House Appropriations Committee approved the project)

If Congress rejects outright the entire project (is a distinct possibility) we may wish to consider introducing a new resolution directing the Mayor to (1) competively select an experienced energy resource recovery consultant to find a market with suitable guarantees for the energy that coan be derived from D.C.'s solid wast steam; (2) undertake a preliminary design study emphasizing alternative process for energy recovery and markets and finalize the design of the selected process through competi tive selection; and (3) construct through a competitive bid process a resource recovery facility tailored to meet the needs of the energy market that have been identified. ie. direct the Mayor to go back to the drawing board.

Expenditure

If we are going to move P.R. 1-105 the Resource Recovery/Disaproval Resolution out of the Budget Committee, you should contact Doug Moore personally. If that is unsuccessful than you can try to get the other members of the Budget Committee to get it moving. A final alternative is to bring the matter before the full Council for a vote of discharge; if a majority of the members vote to discharge the resolution out of Committee, then the council can consider the resolution in legisltive session

7. Council Advance

This will be next Friday and Saturday
(see the folder marked "Council Advance"with the invitations.)

Correct — This is the approach we will take. Lets draft bill & have ready when you have time

Lets wait now & see what happens in Conference.

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown

June 13, 1976

Good!

8. Legislative Ideas

Consumer Debt Collection Fair Practice Act. Aproblem that exists in D.C. and nationally is the harassment of consumer by debt collectors. Such an act would enumerate a number of practices prohibited to debt colleciton personnel such as actual or attempted threats or coercion, unreasonable publicity, unreasonable communication with employers or family, and false representation of documents, nature of the collection business or fees. There is model legislation on this issue in 1976 Suggested State Legislation.

Have Dave get that legislation for Julius.

State Ombudsman Legislation: This type of legislation would establish a government official to receive and investigate complaints made by individuals against abuses of public officials. Hawaii, Iowa and Nebraska have adoped some form of state ombudsman legislation. The American Bar Association has model legislation on this.

Beverage Container Tax: Intering tax of 5¢ would placed on non returnable bottles and cans until such time as mandatory deposit legislation is enacted. The tax would have a similar effect as the returnable bottle bill. The 5¢ tax would as an incentive for people to use refillable containers as a way to avoid paying the tax. The tax on one way containers would be justified because it would help defray the cost that the City incurrs when disposing of the one way containers.

when you have meeting with "constituents" on this issue - a good idea to discuss, can you get the model legislation from Washington State?

Sandy Brown

Weekly Review

June 6, 1976

1. Resource Recovery

No official response as yet form the Committee on the Budget. However, in talking with the Committee staff, they indicated that they were recommending that the Committee wait until DES has a permanent director before asking for the information requested at the December 11 meeting. The Committee staff also indicated that the Committee would review and discuss the status of the resource recovery project at its next meeting later this month but would probably take no final action to The staff also indicated that pursuant to the report accompanying the F.Y 1976 Budget Act, the Council must approve or disapprove the project before any work can begin.

Also the bottom line is the bonding; A separate piece of legislation is required to authorize the City to sell bonds on the open market to finance the resource recovery project.

We should have a meeting sometime next week or early the week after to discuss strategy on this issue.

2. Architectural Barriers Act

The Committee on Housing and Urban Development did not discuss the bill at their meeting on Friday, June 4. It will come up for consideration at the next Committee meeting on June 18.

In the folder is a memorandum from Sheila Williams of the D.C. Rehabilitation Association (she and a number of other people in that organization were instrumental in helping me draft the bill as introduced) indicating their views on the bill as the Committee has marked it up.

You may wish to meet with them next week.

3. Police Surveillance

No action on the part of the Public Safety Committee as yet. Have sent a copy of the Memo that you sent last week to the constituents on this bill and suggested that they contact Mrs. Hardy and urge her to hold public hearings.

In speaking with Diana Josephson of the ACLU. She indicated that the ACLU has been working with Willie Hardy in drafting a police surveillance bill and will be submitting a draft to her to introduce next week.

4. Energy Advisory Commission Resolution

The resolution and the backgorund statement have been retyped and is ready to be introduced.

Also enclosed is a draft press release.

The resolution can be introduced in one of two ways:

(a) It can be filed with the Secretary of the Council and introduced on Monday, June 7

(b) It can be placed on the legislative agenda for introduction at the next Council session on June 15, 1976.

The following have expressed an interest in serving on the Advisory Commission

Ms. Lenore Pomerance
D.C. Power
2436 18th St., NW
Washington, D.C. 20009

she has been an activist in the area of utility rate schedules

Randy Swisher, Executive Director
D.C. PIRG
800 21st St., NW
Washington, D.C. 20006

Jim Finuane 4407 Fessendon St., NW Washington, D.C.	He is a member of the Sierra club, a nulcear physisist; Also active in the area of utility rate schedules
Mr. Roger Sant 1710 Hoban Rd., NW Washington, D. C.	Former A.A. Energy Conservation and Environment, FEA
Pam Doyle, Director Environmental Action 1346 Connecticut Ave., NW Washington, D.C. 20005	E.A. is an environmental group Has been active in helping to push bottle bill legislation

5. Air Pollution

Am meeting with Hugh next week on this to see what EPA is doing and get some direction.

6. Legislative Ideas

Am working on this. I want to get over to the League of Cities next week and look at some of the model legislation that they have. Also have to get together with Pat to obtain some of her ideas.

7. Beverage Container Legislation

Am trying to set up a meeting with several environmental people on Thursday morning, June 10.

8. Initiative and Referendum Act

A copy of your memo to Tucker urging the Committee of the Whole to hold hearings on the bill was sent to the "constituents" on this issue with the suggestion that they call or write Tucker urging him to schedule hearings before the August recess.

← Bull Shit

" "

Sandy Brown — Weekly Review — May 30, 1976

1. Energy Advisory Commission Resolution

Have redrafted the resolution and background statement. Spoke with Peggy Davis on Wednesday and she suggested some changes in the resolution whoih were incorporated with this draft.

She felt that the mandatory aspects of the state's energy conservation plan should be separate from the optional aspects.

The $354,000 for the District is based on the full appropriation by Congress of the $50 million for the program. The figure for D.C. could be considerably less if something under $50 million is appropriated. ie. the District's amount will depend on the final Congressional budget mark.

some names of people who could possibly serve on the Commission
Dr. Arther Purcell, Center for Science in the Public Interest
Randy Swisher, Executive Director, D.C. PIRG
Pam Doyle, Environmental Action } select one
Blake Early, Environmental Action }
~~Jim~~ JOHN Adams, St Marks church, he is an activist opposing utiltiy rate increases, Bill Dickinson suggested him.
Roger Sant, former AA, Energy Conservation + Environment FEA — suggested Chairman would be willing to serve

2. Resource Recovery

The memo was sent to Doug Moore and copies were sent to all our contacts and interested press (those who have written articles on resource recovery.)

Copy of the Memo is in the folder

3. Architectural Barriers Act.

The Housing and Urban Development ? Committee will be meeting on Friday, June 4 at 10:00 am to discuss and mark up the bill. Have contacted all of our constituents on this issues and have sent them copies of the Committee's "Mark up" report.issued last week.

Looks fine now — move ahead to introduce. → Urgent!

call + see if these people are interested — or could suggest others. We need a list of names, titles + addresses.

— I have already checked with Roger, he

see typo. What is the next step here? Find out what Moore's Committee plans to do. Send memo to "constituent group" also

What position should Julius take? Should he attend meeting to promote his bill? How many "constituents" will be present? How

You should plan to attend this meeting. I will remind you throughout the week.

4. Initiative and Referendum

Memo was sent on Thursday May 27 to Tucker requesting that hearings on the bill be held.

5. Police Surveillance

Memo requesting a public hearing and the list of the community/supporters was sent to Willie Hardy on the Public Safety Committee

send memo to constituent groups & suggest they contact Tucker / Hardy.

Air Pollution

Beverage Container

Legislative Ideas

many have you asked? Be sure to orgdnize meeting with Julius and supporters of bill immediately prior to 10:00 a.m. meeting. Remember, you are responsible for getting bill thru Committee — now do you propose Julius do that.

→ Send Julius memo to "constituents" & suggest they write or phone Tucker, follow up weekly with phone calls.

Sandy — Carter McFarland said you were very helpful on his problem but he got no satisfaction on his complaint. Julius would like to follow up. Pls review with him complete file & decide on next step.

Peggy Dears

Sandy Brown — Weekly Review — May 23, 1976

1. Energy Advisory Commission Resolution:

Copy of the resolution, background statement and press release is enclosed. Did you talk over with Dave as I suggested?

Could not get through to Bill Dickinson this week; he is getting married this weekend and was just not around. I was not able to find out what the District's share of the Federal money would be under EPCA.

Did not have time to develop a list of people to serve on the Commission. have not forgotten that this needs to be done, however. Have this list by next week. — ask people for ideas

2. Police Surveillance:

Copy of a short cover memo to all Councilmembers to be attached to the list of Community endorsers of the bill is enclosed in the folder. Inadequate

3. Resource Recovery:

Have redrafted the memo to Doug Moore. Hugh went over it with me and thought it was OK.

We may wish to meet next week to discuss strategy. Tuesday might at 8 pm at your place is alright with Hugh and me. OK

4. Architectural Barriers Act:

Please read the staff report to Nadine Winter on the bill; it is less than 2 pages. (is enclosed in the folder on Handicapped legislation) It constitutes a change ~~from~~ in the direction our bill took.

I am not going to bother to read this Sandy unless you have new/improved information. Although I was out of town, this was sufficiently impt. to try to reach me, I know

How about staff?

Bill's staff and could have you referred to another name for you to take another crack at the issue — without and talking it through with some knowledgable person better info. It is a waste of all our time. Julius feels you could spend more time improving the depth of your staff work and less time attending meetings in his office or in Council Chambers. the work needs improvement — go sit in Bill's office until you find someone with some ideas/experience/info to help. Don't wait for me! Ask me for help when you need it.

4. Architectural Barriers Act (con'd)

Basically the Committee wants to expand the duties of the D.C. Developmental Disabilities Council (established pursuant to P.L. 94-103 the "Developmental Disabled Assistance and Bill of Rights Act") to include the responsibility to make, alter, amend, and repeal the building code to make all future buildings accessible to the physically handicapped. The Council would also serve to recieve complaints and to set standards for non compliance.

Committee's rational: It would establish a unit to prescribe specific standards for accessibility and would lend flexibility in altering standards for handicapped accessibility to take advantage of emerging technology since that unit could promulgate new building code standards and not go through the Council every time a minor change is to be made to the building code.

Disadvantage: The D.C. Developmental Council (the unit which would promulgate new building code regulations to assure handicapped accessibility) would be part of DHR. The Council was only recently set up (November 1975) and to date has received no funding. Given the history of DHR operations and the reluctance of the Council to fund new programs, the possiblity exists that the D.C. Developmental Disabilities Council would exist only on paper and do nothing in the area of promulgating building code regulations for handicapped accessibility or any thing else. Architectural accessibility could get lost in a bureaucratic maze.

I have sent copies of this report (which is not final) to some of the people on the handicapped constituent list. Why not all?

5. Initiative and Referendum:

Have drafted a memo from you to Tucker requesting that the Committee of the Whole schedule hearing on the bill as soon as possible. See copy in the Initiative and Referendum folder.

We do not agree with Nadine's Committee — You need to figure out how to get the bill through (your responsibility!)

① Call meeting in Julius' office of all constituents who support Julius' Bill asap! (this week!)

② They will have to Lobby Nadine's Committee members + other Council members

③ How do we impact on Committee vote + bring to vote to Council?

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6. Air Pollution:

Have not had time to work on this. Misty has read through EPA's Traffic Control Plan and the Court brief on the legal action surrounding it and has summarized the contents.

We receive a resolution from Upper Northeast Coordinating Council on air pollution which may give us a starting point to work on legislation for D.C. (see the folder)

7. Legislative ideas:

Have not forgotten this; have not had the chance this week to work on this.

8. Beverage Container Legislation:

Friday's meeting fell through; will work to set up a meeting next week.

9. General:

This has been a bad week for me in terms of getting work done. Much of my time went to attending meetings with Julius that I had not planned on. In one sense this is good because it meeant that Julius is feeling good!

Sandy — Julius says he goes to meetings uninformed (one on alley closing's last week) You should brief him verbally on every meeting — don't hand him file as he enters meeting. Or else leave written briefing each Sunday.

— Take time! Julius is anxious for you to do better staff work & spend less time in meetings and sitting in his office. Get Misty working on this. She can ask Hugh for direction, newspaper article, etc.

— this is not the greatest priority — do energy resolution 1st.

— I understand and appreciate your concern — but you should ask Julius if he wants you to stay at meetings or his feelings are reflected above.

→ (maybe more than once — on the way to work/on the way home)

Sandy Brown — Weekly Review — May 16, 1976

Sandy - Each week check with Committees where Julius has bills pending and ask them for action dates. Let us know what he need to do to move bills.

1. Energy Advisory Commission Resolution:

Have redrafted the resolution incorporating last week's comments Gave a copy to Bill Dickinson last Wednesday but he has not commented as yet. Apparently he is pretty pressed for time and I have not been able to reach him to discuss it over the phone.

— if necessary, ask if you can discuss with another member of his staff (ask his secretary). Bill is always pressed but can usually be reached between 4:30 & 6:00 p.m.

Background statement is in the folder; will prepare a press release next week.

One comment. I lifted the minimum 5% energy reduction figure (for all of D.C.) directly from the Energy Policy and Energy Conservation Act. The resolution has a 15 % reduction by 1980 instead of 5 %, but I feel the 5% may be a more realistic figure. No Will check with Bill Dickinson next week on this.

— do not discuss with Bill — go with the 15% which is a generally easily achievable target — particularly when little work has been done. We are using 20% with some industries. (15% decrease from base year to 1980 per unit output i.e. per employee)

Have not developed a list of people to be members of the Commission. Will get that together next week. Would it be a conflict of interest to have anyone in FEA serve on this?

— Roger Sant is no longer with FEA. Bill can give you other names. I doubt if it would be a conflict but you can always ask your counsel.

2. Police Surveillance:

Received a copy of a list of Community endorsers to date of the Non Criminal Police Surveillance Act. Will circulate a copy of the list to other the other Councilmembers with a cover memo from you.

— Let's see a draft of this before you circulate

3. Resource Recovery:

Have prepared a memo to Doug Moore asking the Budget Committee to take action on the Resource Recovery Disapproval Resolution.

Hugh was on leave last week; will contact him and discuss strategy with him.

Definitely do so — the three of us may want to meet & discuss.

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4. Architectural Barriers Act:

The Housing and Urban Development Committee is working on reporting out the bill. One of the staff members of the Committee is meeting with Peter Lassin of the Architecture and Compliance Board of HEW (he is also on our "constituent" list) to discuss the bill next week. I was invited to come and plan to attend.

Have prepared a fact sheet for the DCRA luncheon on Wednesday. A copy is in the folder on Architectural Barriers. Date and time of the event is on the Calendar of Events.

I thought the luncheon was on the 26th — someone called my office to make sure I planned to attend!?

5. Beverage Container Legislation:

Am arranging a meeting for Friday with some people from the various environmental groups to discuss strategy with you.

Ask them to present their ideas on what should be done; How do they want to lobby; who they want another bill introduced — what kind?

6. Initiative and Referendum:

Have drafted a memo from you to Tucker requesting that the Committee of the Whole schedule hearings on the bill as soon as possible. Draft is in the folder.

7. Previous Sexual Conduct Evidence Act:

No action

What is the next action which should be taken & when?

8. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act:

No action

" " " " "

9. Smoking Legislation:

See dave's report

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10. Statehood:

See Dave's report

11. Copy of Hobson's Council Actions is enclosed.

13. Council "Advance"

There will be an executive session in which you will be briefed on this. The "Advance" is scheduled for June 11 and 12.

Attached is a memo explaining very generally the purpose of the "Advance"

14. Leave

I would like to respectfully request the day off on Friday May 28, 1976 (Memorialday weekend) Would be back on Tuesday for the legislative session.

15. Air Pollution — see newspaper article

16. Legislative ideas + priorities

— Julie says fine — have fun. (Pls coordinate with Pat + Dave — you can't all leave on 28th) Either you or Dave must be here.

Sandy, I thought we were moving ahead on an emergency air pollution bill. What is the status? While other people are talking lets quietly get something organized + introduced. I am sure Hugh would help on this.

By next Sunday if possible (5 to 10)
^ Get together another list of ideas for resolutions / legislation. You + Pat were going to get to know people at league of cities etc + pursue ideas on valuable model legislation in other states etc. Lets continue.

Sandy Brown

Weekly Review

May 9, 1976

1. Police Surveillance:

The "Non Criminal Police Surveillance Act" was introduced at the legislative session on May 3. Marion Barry co-sponsored the bill

The bill was referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

2. Energy Advisory Commission Resolution:

Have redrafted the resolution and broadened the scope of the Commission. Copy of the resolution is enclosed in the folder

Have also drafted (in very rough form) a background statement which is also enclosed in the folder. (FEA has not released its guidelines for the state's energy plans as yet.)

3. Architectural Barriers Act:

The Committee on Housing and Urban Development has come up with a preliminary report on the Architectural Barriers Act. The Committee is looking to Friday May 21 to mark up and consider the bill. I am working to arrange a meeting of the various handicapped groups to meet with the Committee staff to go over the bill next week. Copy of Committee's preliminary report is in folder.

You were invited (and you accepted) to address the D.C. Rehabilitation Association at a luncheon meeting on Wednesday May 19 at 12 noon at the Metropolitan Hotel on New Hampshire Ave. (the building is accessible) They would like you to elaborate briefly on the architectural barriers bill which you introduced and the problems which handicapped people face in the District. You will also receive a certificate of appreciate for your work for the handicapped. I will draft a fact sheet for you this week on the Architectural Barriers Act.

See last week report.

Brief Julius and make sure he goes

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown

4. Initiative and Referendum:

   see last week's report

5. Resource Recovery

   see last week's report

6. Also attached is a report updating your actions since taking office.

← see last week

Sandy Brown — Weekly Review — May 2, 1976

1. Police Surveillance:

The "Non Criminal Police Surveillance Act" is on the agenda for Monday, May 3. Distributed the packet (background statement, press release, and the bill) to members of the Council and the Press Friday morning. Packet was also sent out to people on our press list

Copy of the material is enclosed in the folder.

A copy of an introductory statement to be made before the Council upon introduction is also enclosed in the folder.

2. Energy Advisory Commission Resolution:

Have redrafted the resolution and broadened the scope of the Commission. Unfortunately FEA has not yet released its guidelines and criteria for the state's energy plans. I will draft a background statement next week: hopefully those guidelines will be published; they will help in developing a statement.

3. Resource Recovery:

The matter is still pending before the Budget Committee. The attitude of the Committee is to wait and see. Congress is still considering the F.Y. 76 budget and there is little idea as to when it will be finally approved. Regardless of the outcome of the issue in Congress, the Budget Act and report specifically state that the Council must by resolution approve or disapprove the project before any bonds can be sold to finance the project or any actual work can begin. In addition the issue may be moot until Congress decides what authority the District has in regard to selling bonds on the open market to finance any capital project. We may want to adopt a similar wait and see attitude.

On April 9 the 120 day period was over — "all deadlines" should be brought to our attention each week! We want to get something on the record that the Committee passed the deadline — call me & lets discuss. The problem is with us and we need to take action. Discuss best strategy with Hugh

4. Initiative and Referendum:

Have drafted and sent a letter to Mr. Harrington thanking him for his comments.

Since hearings have not been scheduled on the bill, we may wish to draft a memo to Tucker requesting that the Committee of the Whole schedule a public hearing on the bill as soon as possible.

correct

5. Smoking Bill

6. Beverage Container Legislation — Sandy how come you didn't get up meeting to discuss strategy which I mentioned on your April 25 report

7. Audiology + Speech Pathology

8. Statehood

9. Recall

10. Noise / Air Pollution

11. Sexual Conduct

All pending actions should be listed each week. If no action was taken this should be indicated. Your job is to push + guide legislation thru the system — never wait for anyone to move. Your "success" is based on how much legislation/resolutions actually clear the hurdles! You need to keep "constituents" informed and continually expand the card file (via reading papers etc.)

SandyBrown

Weekly Review April 25, 1976

1. Police Surveillance:

In the folder is a draft background statement and press release on the "Non Criminal Police Surveillance Act." Hand delivered acopy of the statement and press release to Abe Bloom on Wednesday. He felt the statements read well and had no editorial changes to make.

The bill is being typed on the computor downstairs, will turn the bill in on Wednesday for placement on the agenda for introduction on ~~Wednesday~~. Tuesday May 4

2. Statehood Bill:

Hearings are scheduled for Monday afternoon April 26, beginning at 2 p.m. Fact sheet is attached. (see David's report)

3. Smoking Bill:

Hearings are scheduled for Tuesday, April 27 beginning at 10 a.m. Dave is preparing a fact sheet for you on this. (see David's report)

4. Energy Advisory Commission Resolution:

Spoke with Bill Dickenson at his office on Friday about the resolution. He suggested that we should broaden the scope and have the commission look not at just government usage of energy, but look at energy use in the District as a whole. Ie., have the commission look at utility rate schedules (life line and load structures), transportation (punitive tax system for heavier cars, restrictions on parking, right turn on red, allowing cabs to carry more people, constructing more bicycle paths, etc.), government procurement policies, setting new building code standards to increase energy efficiency etc.

Because of our experience with unit budgeting — do not turn in bill Wed. unless it meets the complete approval of Abe & Julius and Abe has determined what he wants to do about press conference with Julius. Don't circulate press release ob bill to Council members until Abe make decision on press — we don't want to throw away possibility for publicity.

(not included in this notebook)

Great!

Good job this week Sandy – be sure to see Julius rests on couch & eats during this heavy schedule. Give him milk shakes during Council meetings

Sandy Brown — Weekly Review — April 25, 1975

4. Energy Advisory Commission Resolution: (con'd)

FEA will be publishing its guidelines this week and criteria which the state's energy plans must meet if the are to qualify for money from the Federal government under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (There is about $50 million in Federal money available to be apportioned to the various states according to the quality and throughness of their energy use and conservation plans.) This should help in setting out the tasks of the Advisory Commission in the resolution.

→ this can be part of attachment to background statement

There may also be $53,394 available for planning purposes to come up with a comprehensive energy use plan. This could possibly be used for professional staffing of such a commission and enable such a commission to come forward with an energy use proposal to be submitted to the Federal government.

→ do you want to include this item in your resolution? When will the $53,394 be available?

Will redraft the resolution and prepare a background statement for next week.

→ check draft with Bill's office again if possible – also ask Bill for names of D.C. residents to nominate to commission (Sam?)

5. Initiative and Referendum Bill:

Have received a number of letters supporting the bill. The Committee of the Whole has not scheduled hearings on the legislation as yet.

How can we push to get hearing date scheduled? Draft letter to Harrington from Julius thanking him for time & trouble he took to write on this issue, ask questions? (do we have some) & ask to keep in touch. Maybe we can invite him to testify.

6. District Building Architectural Accessibility Resolution:

The resolution was passed unanimously by the Council at the legislative session on April 20.

7. Beverage Container Tax Legislation:

Will try to schedule someone this from our environmental contacts to come talk to you about introducing this bill. Have drafted a bill and background statement that you may wish to read

3 or 4!

You did not need to draft new bill etc... since we probably won't introduce it for Jan. Just wanted you to get 3 or 4 people together who support this bill to discuss strategy with Julius... What should be done next time to get passed?

?! When is Recess Review?

8. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act:

Appropriate constituents were alerted week before last. They were sent sent a copy of the bill and background statement when the legislation was introduced.

The bill was referred to the Committee on Public Services and Consumer Affairs chaired by John Wilson.

9. Also attached is a draft report updating your actions since taking office.

Sandy - Pls list all items (1–12) each week (unless reported on by Pat). We need to keep pushing (and planning) on every front.

Sandy Brown — Weekly Review — April 18, 1976

Pls. update Julius' report to constituents – have draft ready next Sun.

1. Police Surveillance:

Enclosed in the folder is a rough draft of a background statement on the bill.

– this should be reviewed with Abe Bloom before we edit – will save us time.

Look to introduce the bill on May 4

2. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act:

The bill was filed with the secretary for introduction on Thursday April 16 and the package was distributed to the other Councilmembers and the press on Friday.

– did you alert "constituents" in case they wanted to hold their own press conference . . If not, pls do so Monday! This should be routine. Check with Julius ever fri. morning to see if he wants you to set up any press meetings for the following week – give him an opportunity to change his mind.

3. District Building Architectural Accessibility Resolution:

The resolution is up for final consideration on Tuesday, April 20. Anticipate no problem in the passage of the resolution. "Constituent groups" have been alerted.

4. Energy Advisory Commission Resolution:

Misty and I have redrafted the resolution and have incorporated some of the administrative procedures which were included in the Gambling Commission and Tax Revision Commission Resolutions passed last year by the Council.

Have not spoken with Bill Dickenson as yet; will ~~[illegible]~~ do next week.

Be sure to talk with Bill (or Peggy Davis) in his office — make appointment – & go over resolution. Last week (4/11) you said you would visit Bill this week – if you plan to change what we have approved/discussed pls let me know first. Perhaps Misty can handle as discussed 4/11

5. Architectural Barriers Act:

In the folder is a status report on the bill from the staff of the Housing and Urban Development Committee.

Will pass on to interested constituents.

Any action?

6. Resource Recovery – What needs to be done, Time schedule?

7. Smoking?

8. Statehood?

9. Recall? Brief Julius.

10. Initiative and Referendum?

11. Beverage Containers

12. Air Pollution?

Sandy Brown — Weekly Review — April 11, 1976

1. Police Surveillance:

Per conseversation with Abe Bloom on Friday, we look to introduce the bill at the legislative session on Tuesday May 4, 1976. The bill has been retyped in the format for D. C. Council legislation and is enclosed in the folder. Have given Abe Bloom several copies to review.

You and Abe decided that a press conference upon introduction of the bill was not necessary. You indicated that emphasis should be placed on getting press coverage on the public hearings on the bill.

Abe Bloom and other members of the D. C. Committee on the Bill of Rights indicated they will lobby other Councilmembers to get co-sponsors.

Will work on a press release and background statement next week.

2. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act:

The bill is ready for introduction at the legislative session on April 20. Have retyped the background statement incorporating your changes.

Suggest that we may wish to introduce the bill by filing it with the Secretary of the Council next week and release the package to the press rather than waiting until April 20. This would also allow more attention to be focused on the "Unit Budgeting Resolution" when it is introduced on April 20.

3. District Building Accessibility Resolution:

The resolution was voted out of the Government Operations Committee unanimously last Wednesday (4/7) and will be considered

→ Sandy - Ralph Temple called me last week and wants the tapes or a copy of the transcripts/statements of Willie Hardy's police surveillance hearing. Pls call asap.

OK

— do we need to give a copy to Webb?

— how about a press release, background statement just to provide a summary of what the bill is about.

OK

at the Committee of the Whole Work Session on Monday.

Time schedule for consideration

Monday	April 12	Committee of the Whole Work Session
Tuesday	April 20	Council consideration and Vote (there is only one vote since it is a resolution)

Anticipate no problem in passage of the resolution. A copy of the Government Operation Committee's report is enclosed in the folder.

4. ~~D. C. Comprehensive Energy Program~~ Energy Advisory Commission Resolution ← name not quite right.

Have redrafted the resolution incorporating your changes. Misty has obtain data on the total cost data on the purchase of fuel by D. C. for the past three years as well as information on energy conservation measures throughout the government.

Will contact Bill Dickenson (FEA) next week to have someone on his staff to review the resolution

Misty will work on a background statement next week.

We should also develop and consider a potential list of citizens who would be willing to serve on such an advisory commission.

— Do you need any help from your "constituent" groups? Do you need to let them know what is happening?

Good!

→ Misty can work with someone in Bill's office. Another friend is Peggy Davis

— You might ask Bill for 2 or 3 (or more) suggestions of people he knows who live in the District (he does!)

Sandy Brown — Weekly Review — April 4, 1976

1. Police Surveillance:

Have set up an appointment with Abe Bloom and other members of the D. C. Committee on the Bill of Rights for Friday, April 9, 1976 at 11:00 a.m. in your office to discuss strategy and the news conference etc. for the bill.

Will have their bill retyped in the for of D. C. legislation early next week.

2. D. C. Role in the Energy Policy Conservation Act:

Have drafted a resolution setting up a Task Force to review the city's energy ~~conservation~~ programs and make recommendation. Resolution is enclosed in the appropriate folder.

3. Resolution to Commemorate and Honor Paul Robeson:

Resolution is on Tuesday's agenda for consideration. Have circulated a copy of the resolution and a background statement on Friday to the other Council-members.

4. District Building Accessibility Resolution:

The Government Operations Committee will be meeting on Wednesday, April 7, 1976 at 10:00 a.m. to consider the resolution. Their report on the resolution is favorable.. You should attend the meeting. Will remind you throughout the week.

5. Smoking Legislation:

Letters to constituents have gone out. (see folder)

6. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act:

Dr. Ann Covington gave me a draft of the bill in November. (The same bill

OK.

Its resolution should relate to all energy programs — using conservation as one example in your "background"

— Good!

— Be sure Julius is there. Also see that "constituents" are alerted VERY IMPORTANT including the Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind. This should be routine with all meetings affecting Julius' legislation/resolutions in case I forget to mention.

Some of this info should be in "background". I'm sure other members of Council will wonder why he is introducing this particular bill. OK - go ahead

was introduced in Congress in 1974, but they decided not to act because Home Rule would take effect in 1975 and felt it was more appropriate for the new government to consider the matter legislatively.) I sent a copy of our draft to the American and Speech and Hearing Association and asked for their comments and support. They endorsed the bill (see letter dated Dec. 3, 1975 in the folder) You had given approval of the bill in January, but wanted to know what the cost of administration was before the bill is introduced. The American Speech and Hearing Association indicated in a letter, dated March 19, 1976, that the license fee would more than cover the cost of administering the bill. (see the folder)

7. Statehood bill

Am still working on getting a list together of people to invite to testify at the Statehood hearings.

— As soon as Dave completes unit budgeting — Julius wants him to assume the staff leadership role on statehood 'cause he has worked with it for years. Pls let Pat & Dave know — & work with him as much as you can

Sandy Brown — Weekly Review — March 28, 1976

1. Police Surveillance:

Spoke with Abe Bloom on Friday. He indicated tha the D. C. Committee on the Bill of Rights had discussed the issue and wanted you to introduce their draft bill. The Committee is writing Mrs. Hardy stating that they are approaching other Councilmembers about introducing the legislation since she is not taking any action.

D.C.
We should work closely with the/Committee on the Bill of Rights in introducing the bill and arranging a press conference etc. Will have their bill drafted into D. C. legislative form for you to look at next week. Look to have the bill ready for introduction at the April 20 legislative session of the Council.

OK - have Abe Bloom come phoonally to talk with Julius about what he would like in press conference, etc. Will they lobby for co-sponsors?

2. Practice of Audiology and Speech Pathology Act:

A bill, background statement, press release, and question answer sheet have been prepared. The bill is ready for introduction at the April 6 legislative session of the Council. (see the folder)

Who will be here (constituents) when bill is introduced? Who requested this bill? they should spend a few minutes with Julius? Who did you have review this bill — call me before you introduce. It looks fine, I just can't remember clearly the background.

3. Resolution to Commemorate and Honor Paul Robeson:

draft
Jo Butler spoke to you about this. A/copy of the resolution is enclosed in the appropriate folder. The resolution will be placed on the agenda for the April 6 legislative session.

4. Recall of Elected Officials

(see last week's weekly report, March 21) A copy of the Government Operations Committee's report is attached. Also attached is a draft memo to Sterling Tucker asking the Committee of the Whole to hold hearings and consider the legislation as quickly as possible.

5. Smoking Legislation:

Hearings are scheduled for Tuesday April 27, 1976 at 10 a.m., 2 and 7:30 p.m. We have a list of about 60 supporters who we are sending copies of the hearing notice and a letter inviting them to testify. Will draft the letter next week and have it run off on the "mag card"machine and sent out.

6. Statehood Bill:

Hearing are scheduled for Monday, April 26 at 2 and 7:30 p.m. Dave and I are working with Lou and other statehood people to get a list of people together to invite to testify at the hearing.

7. Resource Recovery:

Nothing new to report this week, see last week's report (March 21)

8. District Building Accessibility Resolution

Received a response from the Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind supporting our efforts in getting ramps and automatic doors installed at the District Bldg.

9. D. C. Role in the Energy Policy and Conservation Act:

Nothing new to report this week, see last week's report (March 21)

OK

OK Let Dave do this - it does not take two

(Dave should not work on this until he complete with Pat the unit budgeting package)

what is the next "action" step on this — what needs to be done.

Remember to draft citizens committee resolution (March 21) like Pat's on youth.

Sandy Brown

Weekly Review

March 21, 1976

1. Recall of Elected Officials:

Bill 1-117, the Recall of Elected Officials Act,was introduced by Arrington Dixon on June 10, 1975 and referred to the Committee on Government Operations. However,, after research the Committee concluded that the Council did not have statutory authority to enact such legislation and voted (on July 23, 1975) to refer the bill to the Committee of the Whole for consideration as a Charter amendment. (copy of the report is attached)

2. Initiative and Referendum:

Letters and Legislative package have been sent out to the list of potential supporters. Will continue to expand and update the list

3. Resource Recovery

Enclosed is a copy of McKinney's response to our letter of March 2, 1976.

4. District Building Architectural Accessibility Resolution

Have sent a copy of memo and executive comments to the resolution to our contacts on this issues. (see the folder)

5. D. C. Role in the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.

FEA guidelines are due to be published on or around May 1 .

$53,000 (approx.) is available to D. C. from the Federal Government to help draw up an energy conservation plan to submitt for FEA approval. However this money is contingent upon Congressional and Presidential approval etc. Dickinson indicated there should be no porblem and the money for this would be available in June.

Due date for state's energy policy and conservation is Nov 22, 1976 if the state wishes to receive a federal grant to impliment an energy conservation program.

Send copy of letter to Hugh

5

when? When is money available & how do you get it? Remember you were going to draft a resolution like Pat's of citizen's committee to review youth programs

Sandy Brown — Weekly Review — March 14, 1976

1. Police Surveillance

Public Safety Committee staff has indicated that they are still working on a draft bill. According to the staff other jurisdictions which have enacted such legislation have found the police guidelines very cumbersome at best and unworkable at worst because they interfer with the pursuit of routine criminal work. The Council staff indicated they wanted to make sure that any proposal is workable and feasible before they introduce it as legislation.

Spoke with Abe Bloom this week. He expressed disappointment with the Public Safety Committee's progress. The D. C. Committee for theBill of Rights is meeting next week to decide what steps to take next. I indicated that you were willing to introduce their draft bill if they felt it was in the best interest. I will contact Abe Bloom next week. (Note any bill which we introduce in this area will be referred to Willie Hardy's Committee.)

— Good! Then the various interests can fight it out at a hearing.

2. Initiative and Referendum Act

Have drafted a letter to be sent to potential supporters.(enclosed in the folder on Initiative and Referendum) I am presently working up a list of supporters and should have a pretty good list next week. Common Cause has already expressed an interest in the issue.

— Get letter out asap

3. Resource Recovery

In the folder is a letter from Union Carbide about their PUROX process. Apparently the have contacted McKinney at D.E.S. Will also send a copy to Hugh Kaufman and ask for his comments.

Sent copy of letter to Hugh

4. D. C. Role in the Energy Policy and Conservation Act

Joe Furgeson works in the Office of Management and Budget under

4. (Con'd)

Comer Coppie. (He does not work for McKinney) He is a program analist and is working in the area of resource management and is developing a multi-year plan in this area.

Spoke with his office (Furgeson is out of town until Monday). Apparently the program to be established under the Energy and Conservation Act works something like this: 624 3017

1. FEA would set up regulations for states outlining general guidelines as to the scope and content for a state's energy policy and conservation program.

2. Upon publication of the final FEA guidelines, each state could develop a program within the outlines set by FEA.

3. The state would then submit its proposal to FEA and upon approval by FEA, funds would be released to the state to help implement its energy policy and conservation program.

The Budget Office indicated that FEA has recently drawn up general regulations (step 1 above) and is seeking comments before finalizing them. Joe Furgeson has been asked to comment on these draft plans. I will be speaking to Mr. Furgeson next week to get more detail. (I have made up a folder which contains the notes you gave me earlier)

5. Beverage Container Legislation

Have sent out copies of the Piper article and the cover memo as well as the evaluation of the Council actions surrounding the Beverage Container Act to all our environmental contacts and asked for comments.

Sandy- Would like you to call Bill Dickenson's office (FEA - call 961-8656 for #) + talk to Bill as Julius L.A. 961-3544

Would like to consider:

Our development of A resolution establishing an overall committee (similar to what Pat did with youth) to review energy programs in D.C.

One program would be the Conservation opportunity (will mean about $60,000 to develop plan) + energy component of resource recovery, etc.

Good.

6. Air Pollution

We have received a copy of EPA's traffic control plan for the District. Misty has summarized its contents as well as the Court brief concerning the plan

7. Noise Abatement Legislation

The Mayor introduced Bill 1-258 to provide comprehensive noise control regulation for the District of Columbia. The bill is based on the highly regarded Chicago noise ordinance. Will Look into further.

— Maybe we need to do nothing here.

8. District Building Architectural Accessibility Resolution

Enclosed in the folder is a copy of the Executive's comments on the resolution which you should read.

Sandy - continue working on your "constituent" list - very major. Get names from newspaper articles, magazine etc. Some names of known/pro supporters outside D.C. would be helpful

Sandy Brown — Weekly Review — March 7, 1976

1. Initiative and Referendum Legislation

The bill is on the agenda for Tuesday's legislative session to be introduced

The package has been distributed to all Councilmembers and the press.

What press? Sam Smith etc.

2. Resource Recovery

Enclosed in the folder are two letters from Monsanto (they have developed the Landgard system of pyrolysis) and Joseph Judge (from American University)

3. Beverage Container Legislation

Have sent a copy of the Analysis of Council Actions Surrounding the Beverage Container Act to Hugh Kaufman as well as a copy of the memo and Piper article and asked for his comments.

4. District Building Architectural Accessibility Resolution

Enclosed in the folder is the Government Operation Committee's report on the resolution. The Committee will consider the resolution at its next meeting on Wednesday, March 17. You should try to make that meeting; the Committee has been unable to report the resolution out because of a lack of a quorum at the last 2 meetings.

5. Sheila Williams from the D. C. Rehabilitation Association called last week. D. C. Rehabilitation Association wants to present you with a certificate of appreciation for your sensitivity and work on the behalf of handicapped individuals. The organization is having a meeting in May and could present you with the award at that time, but suggested that if you wish to receive the award at some other time that would present no problem.

6. D. C. Statehood Bill

Memo to Tucker asking about the status of the bill in the Committee of the Whole is in the signature folder.

Sandy we would like continuous reporting on Air Pollution & Noise abatement every week - even if "no progress"?

next step is to draft a one page letter to potential "constituents" from Julius asking for their support, explaining how bill is important, "we are getting legal opinions on whether it requires Charter change" etc.

Didn't we agree to send the Julius memo & attached Piper article to all your environmental contacts? Please do!

Sandy be sure to make these dates on the agenda & let us know why they are important each Tuesday. Then we won't make conflicting appointments. Julius said he didn't realize there was a GOC meeting until the morning of the meeting - meanwhile I had made his appt.

May is OK now — but if problems occur we will let her know. Julius is delighted.

Sandy Brown — Weekly Review — February 29, 1976

1. Citizen Initiative and Referendum Legislation

Have redrafted the bill, press release, and background statement from last week and have given a copy of the package to Bardyl Tirana. Copy of the package is in the folder (ATTACHMENT A)

— #1 choice

Pursuant to the discussion on Thursday with you (Julius) I have also drafted a bill which would enable citizens to put issue oriented questions on the ballot and require that the Council consider the issue based on the result of a question placed on the ballot. A draft copy of that bill and a press release is in the folder. (ATTACHMENT B)

— #2 choice if #1 requires Charter change

You also may want to consider an advisory initiative (language enclosed) in which an individual may place a proposal on the ballot and if a majority votes in favor, the City Council would have to place it on the agenda within 20 days after the election results have been certified. (ATTACHMENT C)

2. Beverage Container Legislation

Preliminary thoughts on the actions surround the Beverage Container bill are enclosed in the folder.

We may want to consider introducing legislation placing a five cent tax on sall non-refillable containers. This "social purpose tax" could remain in effect until deposit legislation goes into effect. The consumer could escape paying this tax by buying returnable containers instead of one way containers. Montgomery recently enacted such a tax (which scheduled to go into effect this spring). Industry opposes the tax for much the same reasons as they oppose a returnable bottle bill.
Also enclosed ~~is~~ are a copy of ~~the~~ memos accompanying the Piper article

3. Resource Recovery

Draft letter to McKinney is enclosed in the folder.

— Sandy on each bill you should give us ideas on what needs to be done — don't wait for our suggestions. send copy of Julius's letter + article to HK along with your evaluation of why bill did not pass — ask for his comments. I thought you were working closely with interested groups & widely circulating info. such as Nadine's report. You can now see why it is so important. That is why I wanted that card file with every name of each bill "constituent" plainly marked for continuous mailings. I would like to see the box next week.

Resource Recovery (con'd)

Met with Mr. Baillie of Resource Planning Associates last week. Based on what he knows of the project he seems to feel there are some problems with the present approach. Eg. a 650 ton/day facility does not begin to deal with the solid waste stream. He estimates that a new economic and feasibility study would cost at least $60,000

To him C. C. Johnson's proposal was interesting and is one approach we could take, but RPA did not appear very interested in doing it. He will give us a written response by the second week of March.

not interested in doing a feasibility study or not interested in Johnson's approach? What alternatives did he suggest - it helps us understand the issues.

Sandy Brown — Weekly Review — February 22, 1976

1. Referendum and Initiative Legislation:

In the folder are rough drafts of a bill, report, and press release. There are two versions of the bill: one whcih is drafted in the form of a Charter Amendment and another in the form of a regular Council bill. Have given Bardyl Tirana a copy of the bill and asked if he could word the bill in such a way so that the provision of the legislation could be implimented without a charter amendment.

2. Beverage Container Legislation: Good package

The bill will come before the Committee of the Whole Work Session on Monday morning and then will be considered by the Council in legislative session on Tuesday (Feb. 24) for a first reading and vote. The memo and packet of information on the bottle bill was distributed on Thursday. Keep your fingers crossed.

3. Resource Recovery:

Sandy show him the Johnson letter (do not leave a copy) & ask if he agrees.

Have set up a meeting with Mr. Bailie of Resource Planning Associated for Monday Feb. 23, 1976 at 2:30 P.M. Address
1707 L St., N.W.
Washington, D. C.
Have also received a letter from C. C. Johnson which is in the folder.

4. Air Pollution:

Misty is still reviewing EPA's traffic control plan for Metro Washington. Hope to have a summary next week.

5. National Amnesty Week Resolution:

The resolution is on the agenda for Tuesday night's meeting copy is enclosed. John Wilson indicated he wants to co-sponsor

Good! Sandy did you send Bardyl a copy of press release / background info with letter + letter? It would be impossible to understand alone. Be sure to personally deliver retyped version of all three items 2/23 or no later than 2/24 a.m.

Good luck. Well you got environmental/consumer ^ Pastime award? This was important — How should we follow here on Tues? Do we have a mandate to oppose? How open are Tues reports to [illegible] might influence others.

I will not be able to join you unless I let you know — however, describe what we need and ask for a written comment. Also — where is letter to McKinney? Note your 2/8 weekly review.

— OK

— OK

6. District Building Architectural Accessibility Resolution

A draft of the Government Operation Committee's Report is in the folder. The Committee was scheduled to consider the measure and vote it out of Committee, but could not because of a lack of quorum. The Committee will consider it at its next scheduled meeting on March 3.

Weekly Review February 15, 1976

Sandy Brown

1. Beverage Container Legislation

Committee of the Whole work session on the bill will take place on Tuesday Feb. 17.

First vote on the bill is scheduled to take place on Feb. 24.

Will distribute memorandum summarizing the bill on Thursday, Feb. 18

Note Nadine Winter's minority report. (I see your note) Gave a copy of the report to my contact at D. C. PIRG.

2. Resource Recovery

Additional letter has been sent out to Union Carbide; will send out several more this week.

Have heard from Wheelabrator Frye and Joseph Judge from American University. They will be sending us material before the end of the month.

3. Initiative and Referendum Legislation

Have drafted a background report (in the folder) on the draft bill. Will give Bardyl Tirana a copy of the draft bill for his comments.

5. Air Pollution

Have received a copy of EPA's traffic Control plan for Metropolitan Washington as well as a court brief concerning that plan. Will have Misty read and summarize the plan to see what we have.

6. Attached is a draft resolution declaring Nat'l Amnesty Week given to me by the Womens Strike for Peace Organization. I can draft the resolution in the form for D. C. and get it on the agenda for the next legislative session on Feb. 24 if you want to introduce such a resolution.

The more you circulate such material the more info you get. Won't rely on one contact — give to several groups. Did you give copy to HK as I suggested?

Sandy Brown

Weekly Review February 8, 1976

1. Voter Initiative and Referendum Legislation

Draft of a bill is enclosed in the folder on Voter Initiative and Referendum. It is based on the Initiative and Referendum sections of California's Constitution.

Will get some legal advise on the draft bill next week.

Will prepare a report and press release for next weekend.

2. Beverage Container Legislation

No change from last week

Revised memo to all Councilmembers summarizing the bill is enclosed as well as several press articles and editorials.

3. Air Pollution

Will ge a copy of the EPA traffic control plan for D. C. on Monday. See folder on Air Pollution for information gathered so far. Also see on desk copies of "Suggested Model Legislation 1975 and 1976" published by the Council of State Governments.

4. Noise Abatement Legislation

Folder has been set up. Have gotten a copy of Chicago's legislation as well as copies of the noise ordinances for the areasjurisdiction. There is also a person named Dave Staples in The Dept. of Environmental Services who is working on this type of legislation from the Executive side. We may want to contact him as we have time.

5. District Building Accessibility Resolution

Enclosed in the folder is a memo to William Twitty on Dixon's staff concerning the ramp at the 13 and ½ Street entrance and its cost. Should have a copy of the drawing next week.

The draft looks good. In your "background" be sure to include info/examples how 2 or 3 other states have used Init. Also, cite differences between "initiative" and "referendum". It will have a better chance of passing if we alter sections which state "records" have" it shall be directly referred to Congress for action (or some such appropriate phrase).

→ see if you can get a better piece of Wall St. Journal article. Also, type source & date on one editorial? Retype 1st page & have Julius initial — would it be best to distribute Friday before Tues vote?

→ Good — recommend options. Also have intern/staff review "Model Legislation" from CSG & see what you all would like to recommend, if anything.

— Good — work on this as we have time

— find out how the drawings violate D.C. Building Code. Because it is busy is why we want at 13½ St. entrance — similar to "busiest" entrance at the Post Office. What is the problem?

Sandy Brown

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6. Resource Recovery

Letter to Wheelabrator Frye has gone out. Letters to Bailie cf RPA, Joseph judge at American University, and C. C. Johnson are in the signature folder.

Will have a draft letter to McKinney for next weekend

Remember last week I asked that you check with HK for at least 2 or 3 other firms similar to WF (so it doesn't appear Julius is singling out one co.). Plz mail out this week at least 2 more letters to WF, + AV types and one or two more to RPA types. HK can help. We will be lucky if we get any answers!

Good letter from Stokes!

Sandy Brown

Weekly Review February 1, 1976

1. Beverage Container Legislation

The bill and report was voted out of Committee on Friday, January 30th, in the same form as the one which appears in the folder.

Tentative Schedule for Council Considerations of the Bill

Feb. 16	Committee of the Whole
Feb 19	Distribute packet of information with Hobson memorandum urging council support.
Feb 24	First Reading at Legislative session (offer amendment to have bill go into effect in D.C. regardless of whether surrounding jurisdictions pass similar legislation)
March 9	Final Reading and vote.

Enclosed is a rough draft of a memo urging Council support of the bill to go out with packet of information.

2. Voter Initiative

Have received additional information. Should have a draft bill prepared for next week. Look to have a bill ready for introduction by the end of February

Almost all of the legislation in this area is contained in the state's constitutions (eg. California and N. Dakota etc.) a similar law for D.C. will have to be more detailed.

3. Resource Recovery

Draft of letters to Wheelabrator Frye Union Carbide, Resource Planning Associates, and Malcolm Pirnie Inc., are enclosed in the folder on resource recovery.

Pls read letters to HK

What happened to AV contact?

Sandy — would you help Lorraine get together the papers for a superior performance award — Julius wants to submit the recommendation.

OK

Sandy — set up a file on this, I would like to see the info you have collected next week.

Did you talk with Hugh Kaufman about sending letters to other companies? We want at least 4 answers — you will have to send more letters asap. Remember to call companies & tell them letters are being sent.

Sandy Brown

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Noise Abatement Legislation

Misty is going to attend the COG work shop on noise control for part of the day on Tuesday. I will try to go for part of it on Wednesday schedule permitting.

Interior Building Architectural Accessibility Resolution

The Government-Operations Committee is attempting to get the ramp placed on the F.Y. 77 capital improvements budget. In preliminary studies that have been made there is a problem in installing the ramp at the 13 and ½ St. entrance. That entrance is the primary entrance for delivering and bringing in materials into the building. A ramp at that entrance would prevent using that entrance as a delivery entrance. Trucks making deliveries to the building would have to use the 14th St. entrance and obstruct the flow of traffic on that street. One of the Committee staff people wanted to know if you objected to having the ramp built at the 14 th St. entrance instead of on the 13 and ½ side in view of the possible adverse impact on traffic that a ramp at the 13 and ½ St. entrance might have. The problem with installing a ramp at the 14 th St. entrance is that that door is locked every evening at 5:30 p.m. and is always locked on the weekends. (a bell could also be installed to get a guard to open the door) What is your view?

6. Air Pollution

← Remember air pollution takes priority over noise control. Maybe Misty should cover what she can.
Pls set up file for Sunday

→ the TV people said they have a Terrible time bringing in equipment at 13½ St — + would welcome a ramp - would help deliveries. Also there is no parking adjacent to 14½ ST. The Post Office has no problems with deliveries etc. with automatic doors. Hold out for 13½ St.

— when can we expect something here?
I was told again the the Council of State governments has a book of model bills "Suggested legislation 1975-76" — please get this + those for past 2 years plus index. Pls set up file for Sunday

Sandy Brown

Weekly Review January 25, 1976

1.

Beverage Container Legislation

The Transportation and Environmental Affairs Committee will be meeting on Friday, Jan. 30 at 10:00 a.m.. The Returnable Beverage Container Bill will come up for consideration to be voted out of Committee. Will remind you throughout the week.

In the folder on Beverage Container Legislation is a summary sheet giving you (1) summary of the plastics provision in the Committee's bill, (2) arguments in favor of the ban, (3) a comparison of bill's plastics provisions with those in the surrounding jurisdictions

Am preparing a short memorandum (2 pages hopefully) outlining the bill and running down the major arguments in favor of passage of the bill as well as a packet of press items etc.

2.

Resource Recovery

As discussed at meeting on Jan. 15 the following leters would be sent.

1. Letter to the members of the House and Senate Subcommittee on D. C. appropriations requesting them to allow the Council to make the final decision on resource recovery facility. Letter sent Jan 23, 1976.

2. Letter to be sent to two or more consulting firms: (a) Research Planning Associates and (b) Malcom Pirnie, Inc. (C. C. Johson's firm) Letters would state that there is interest in doing a new feasibility study on resource recovery for D. C. If asked to do a new study (i) what would you do? (ii) What ~~would it cost?~~ and (iii) in light of what had been done what should be included in a new feasibility study? in order to focus more directly on energy recovery

check names with HK

have such studies cost in the past

3. Letter to 2 or more firms who design and construct resource recovery facilities asking them basically (a) what are the advantages of their system for D. C. (b) How would it benefit as applied to D. C.
Wheelabrator Frye and Union Carbide are the two we will write to.
c.) send material + evaluate success/cost of their system in other city.

How about making sure those who support bill are present. Give Julius a list of their names — particularly those who support the plastics provisions - so he can call on them.

if you can reach me on the phone (home is best) pls. read to me before typed in final

when can we expect dratt of these letters — send home with Julius.
When is 120 days up? Work against that date.

(I see answer is on next page)

4. Letter to McKinney asking him
(a) what is the present cost per ton for collecting and disposing of solid waste in D. C.
(b) In light of the Budget Committee's directives (1) who has he contacted with regard to investigating privately financed resource recovery project. (2) who in COG has he approached about sharing the initial financing the proposed project

Tentative Calendar

Jan 23	Letters sent to members of the House and Senate Subcommittee on D. C. appropriations.
Week Jan. 26 Feb 1	Prepare drafts of letters to consultants and resource recovery firms
Week of Feb2 Feb. 9	Prepare draft letter to McKinney
Period Feb 3 March 15	Congressional mark up of D. C. Fy 1976 budget
	Receive responses from consultants, resource recovery firms. and McKinney
April 9	120 day period over. Budget Committee to meet and discuss proposed resource recovery project and decide on Hobson's resolution.

3.

Voter Initiative Legislation

Have received some information from the People's Lobby Group in California on voter iniative as well as information from local groups. Have assigned an intern to research further and develop legislation.

In order for such a bill to become law, the Home Rule Charter would have to be amended and go through a referendum process. We are trying to develope the

Excellent — Good planning chart.

Sandy — other than following up on your R.R. steps outlined above make this your priority. I want to see a copy of the current referendum law in Calif (I voted on issues when I lived in Calif. so it is an old process) Perhaps the League of Cities has a copy.

bill as quickly as possible and introduce. There have been several other bills such as the Recall of Elected Officials bill which will be considered as a package and sent to Congress. We want to move to get the voter iniative bill introduced as soon as possible in order to get into this package.

4. Air Pollution

Misty and I met with Hugh Kaufman and other EPA people last week. Am getting a copy of EPA's traffic control plan for D. C. next week

It would be very difficult to implement a traffic control plan on a day to day basis. We would have to define a period during the year when air quality is at its worst. (eg. July - Sept.) and have the plan go into effect during that full period.

5. Noise Abatement Legislation

Hugh gave me the name and number of Casey Caccavari from EPA's Office of noise abatement. He did much of the work in developing Chicago's noise abatement bill. Will be making contact with him.

There will be a workshop on noise control and Urban planning Feb 3 and 4, 1976 at the University of Maryland sponsored by COG. Attendence at this meeting may be useful in helping to draft legislation in this area. Also Caccavari from EPA will be there and this would afford the opportunity to meet with him.

— Don't go through Council attorney — just retype Calif. bill (as we did Minn. smoking bill) asap. we should keep this idea quiet until we are ready to announce — can get an ACLU or other lawyer to review.

We need a plan that can go into effect when we need it (pollution over certain level) — some compromise needs to be reached. Priority is on above.

Can you send an intern? — to begin work in this area after you complete item 3.

Good Heavens — you have done a great deal of work
Congratulations to all!

Sandy Brown

Weekly Review January 18, 1976

1. Beverage Container Legislation

The Transportation and Environmental Affairs Committee will be meetin on Friday January 30. The Beverage Container Bill will come up for a vote to report out of Committee. The bill will come before the full Council during February. I will constantly remind you of the meeting to make sure you get there. Nadine Winter has expressed problems with the bill and your presence and vote will be required to get the bill out committee.

The plastics industry people have been lobbying quite heavily. There may be a move by other Council members to have the plastics section of the bill removed. Am getting together with Hugh to develop further arguments for keeping that section in. Good - get together packet

Bill is drafted in such a way so that plastice containers would be subject to a 5 ¢ deposit should the plastics section be dropped.

2. Resource Recovery

Have drafted a letter to member of the House and Senate Appropriation sub committees for the District. A copy is in the folder on resource recovery.

The House Committee will begin to mark up the District's FY 76 budget sometime after Feb 3. The Senate Committee will not begin work on the D. C. budget until after the House side has completed its mark up. It must go to a Conference Committee if there are any differences between the two Houses before it goes to the complete Congress

3. District Building Architectural Accessiblity Resolution

All the Councilmembers co-sponsored the resolution. It was referred to the Government Operations Committee with comments from the Comm. on Housing and Urban Development

Julius said he did not know the bill was coming up before the Committee last week — in terms of voting it out of Committee — or he would have made a greater effort to be there. Be sure to remind him.

→ Ask Polly to sit in on this meeting & lend her support. Have you made sure our supporters will be there?

How about amendment/statement on not waiting for other jurisdictions?

→ Sandy we had a list of items we made up during the meeting Thurs. evening. There were several letters, etc. Since you took notes and were responsible for follow-up action, I didn't. the entire list should be included as action items in your Sunday summary — so I don't have to think thru. the whole procedure again. Pls. outline whole strategy area next Sunday/ including letters & to & org. for feasibility studies, developers etc. It is very frustrating to spend 2½ hours developing a plan — & then not see it written out as projected action items with dates for completion.

4. Bill to Regulate Speech Pathology and Audiology

Have retyped and revised slightly the press release and report on the bill

Have not obtained as yet the cost data

Am still looking to introduce the bill on January 27

5. Have included another idea concerning citizen initiatives on the list of legislative ideas (see the attached)

— good idea. Pls retype list with items approved + circulate to other staff members for additions/comments.

6. Air Pollution

Sandy Brown

Weekly Review January 11, 1976

1. Beverage Container Legislation

An additional meeting of the Transportation and Environmental Affairs Comm. will be held on Wednesday Jan. 14 to discuss several technical changes in the beverage container bill that will require a vote:

staff
Section on plastic beverage containers: The committee wants to amend that section to make the effective date of that section alone contingent upon enactment of substantially similar provision in the surrounding jurisdictions. In effect this would separate the plastic container provision of the bill from the deposit provision. Rational: Neither Montgomery Co., Fairfax Co., nor Bowie, Md. have provisions in their laws banning plastic containers. As the bottle bill is presently drafted, it may not be considered substantially similar to bottle bill in the surrounding jurisdictions because the section on plastic containers is tied in with the deposit aspect and could not go into effect. Such an amendment would address this problem. Recommendation Although I have not seen the specific language, I see no problem with the thrust of the amendment and recommend that we support it.

Interest groups have been notified as to the legislative time table

Am preparing an information Packet. Groups such as D. C. PIRG and Environmental action are lobbying and getting citizen groups to write individual councilmembers to vote in favor of the bill.

2. District Building Accessibility Resolution

The resolution has been place on the agenda for introduction at the Jan 13 Legislative session. Press release and background memo have gone out. (copies attached)

Polly Shackleton has joined in co-sponsoring the resolution.

3. Bill to Regulate Speech Pathology and Audiology

Am getting some cost data together.

Looking to introduce the bill on January 27

IMPORTANT

Did you discuss with Hugh. Some jurisdictions are now either limiting/eliminating plastic containers because they are not biodegradable plus cause poisonous fumes when burned. NCRR would lobby for removal of this clause because most bottling companies (coke, pepsi etc.) are going to plastic bottles to avoid returnable bottle bills. Plastic is even more damaging to the environment. Get more info of this from Hugh. — we should vote to retain the provision even if we lose + state why.

— OK

— OK

4. Prior Sexual Conduct Evidence Act

Attached in the folder on rape legislation is a Post article in which a D. C. judge ruled that a rape victim's prior sexual conduct was not relevant to the case at hand. Although other judges are not bound by this precident, but it does indicate an interesting trend.

5. Resource Recovery:

We should probably meet sometime next week to discuss strategy. Thursday evening is alright with Hugh and me.

— OK Would 8:00 p.m. be OK.
What is happening on the hill?

Other Items

7. You received an invitation to appear on WMAL TV talk show on January 28 to discuss Title 7 of the Equal Opportunity Act (concerning the employment of minorities in government. Representatives from the Equal Opportunities Office, the Dept. of Defense, and the Civil Service Commission will also be appearing; general topic -- is the act working for minorities? Are minorities faring better than 10 years ago in the area of employment etc. Must let the producer (Leopold Bonata 686-3166) know by Monday. Possible scheduling problem-- the Council will be in the middle of its budget process.

8. Budget is scheduled to come to the Council early next week. This will take up a great deal of staff time during the next threee weeks. I do not anticipate any major capital projects (such as resource recovery)to be in the budget this year, however.

— would we want to add an amount for another feasibility study?

Legislative Issues

9. Arrington Dixon is introducing emergency legislation on Tuesday which would require that all new agency heads appointed by the Mayor be confirmed by the City Council in the same manner that Congress confirms Presidential appointees. There is some controversy over whether this situation which the act addresses is an emergency.

Major Issues 14 November 1975

1. Bill 1-51 "School Officers Sabbatical Leave Act"

Second Reading on November 18, 1975. It requires no comment and/or action and should routinely be adopted.

2. Child Labor Law

Lou is working on report. We are also awaiting response to questions we asked of the Board of Education asking for more background information and rationale for their specific proposals.

3. Teachers Retirement Fund Act

get retired teachers assoc. to review in 2-3 days & prepare to introduce.

I can get a draft of this together this week without too much difficulty for review next weekend. In effect this will provide for a board of trustees to oversee the fund and investments. I plan to base on an Ohio law.

4. Diggs Resolution

Did you check with Dave Clarke on this? Unless I am very wrong I think this was a very poor job and may even be counter productive.

According to our discussion Friday, we will allow his resolution to be referred to the Committee and, hopefully, approved at our meeting on Thursday. Ed Webb has taken care of publication in the D. C. Register.

5. Budget Hearings

What was it for, expected to achieve?

Attached is the schedule of the Congressional hearings on the FY 1976 Budget. Do you think that someone should cover the afternoon sessions on our agencies?

Intern or Lou

6. Board of Education Rules

Attached are proposed new rules of the Board of Education to provide free educational services to handicapped children from 3-21 years of age (by 1972). This will have a significant impact on their budgetary requests.

check with Sandy on procedure.

With each resolution, any bill staff member does there should be a packet of info — with a press release, a "background" from Julius + supporting documents on exactly what the resolution etc. is expected to accomplish. I'm stumped on this one

Meetings Attended November 10-14, 1975

1. Monday, November 10, 1975

Lou attended Capital Outlay Committee Hearings of Board of Education. Because Ray Kemp proposed closing and/or disposing of about 20 schools (see attachment), his committee held hearings on closing those schools and the FY 1977 Capital Outlay budget proposals. (see newspaper clipping on hearings) Very strong opposition to closing schools was expressed. He states that he proposed the school closings to elicit public debate so that GAO would not simply force closing of schools without local input.

2. Thursday, November 13, 1975

Talked at length with Mike Goffney, Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under Law. He described the status of his project for D.C. Citizens. They are now completing a functional analysis of the Expressed Statutory Powers of the Board, implied powers of the board, and ministerial functions of the Board. They are analyzing the constraints on their powers in terms of D.C. Code, Board Rules, Charter, Due Process, Case Law, Hobson vs. Hansen, etc. and propose processes to arrive at 1) school site budgeting, 2) local boards of education, or 3) some other alternative. He has provided me with stacks of materials on decentralization in other cities, legal issues. They are interested in legislative aspects of decentralization to accompany local school budgeting.

when will report be completed? Did you tell him we plan to introduce resolution? call me.

3. Friday, November 14, 1975

what are you going to do with this?

I met with Pat Fleming, lobbyist for the Education Commission of the States, He has been working closely with Capital Hill on a number of educational issues ; his major interest is governance and financial reform. In this regard, he discussed the Council role vis-a-vis the Board. He strongly concurs with our focus on financial reform, fiscal issues. He said that that was the area of most state legislative involvement and that he was most willing to be of any assistance. He provided a copy of Sec. 842 of P.L. 93-380 which provides funds for financial equalization planning. He suggests letters to House and Senate District Committee requesting amendment of Bill to allow D.C. to apply for funds. He said many state legislatives plan to apply for the funds themselves to pay for studies for finance reform bills (D.C. would be eligible for approximately $100K) He feels that such a grant could even come to the Council to hire consultants/staff/etc. to redo equalization through legislation. Even if you think of us receiving funds as a bad idea, we should try to get law revised for DC eligibility . If you concur I will draft letters. Mr. Fleming is also willing to coordinate talks with Sens. Eagleton and Pell's staff to facilitate the enactment of the amendment; he feels that it would be easily accomplished. (see attached copy of legislation)

draft

4. Friday, November 14, 1975

Dave and I attended staff forum on council procedures. I thought he should also attend so that he would get a fuller idea of the procedures, rules, characters around here. We are going to have to take time soon to provide all of our minutes, agendas to Bob Williams. He stated that several committees had complied after the last meeting. I just don't want us to be the last ones to comply. It shouldn't be too difficult.

Julius wants Dave to work directly on legislation — our committee has provided nothing for Julius to introduce. Let Lou do minutes. All Dave's time must be directed toward development of legislation / resolutions on youth / ed. etc.

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs

Regular Meeting
November 18, 1975
10:30 A.M.
Room 501

TENTATIVE AGENDA

I. Quorum Call

II. Minutes

III. Resolution on Local Autonomy

IV. New Business

us — otherwise we will go it alone. Won't imply Julius is "thinking about" — this just disappoint is other people if they disagree.

It will, of course, be fine to develop source of funds to plan for cost budgeting (planning & reporting systems) — but it isn't our 1st priority now - it is a "fringe benefit."

You have been on the job 10½ months — next week we want a summary of bills you plan to develop for Julius to introduce & ~~charts~~ target dates for those underway (update your chart) - this should be done weekly.

Julius does not have the same amount of time others have — & he is serious when he says he wants something now. He can run interference for you with Williams other Council members — so focus on getting others to develop legislative bills & skip or assign other stop-gap stuff to Lou, interns etc!

Won't you write the retirement bill (we didn't hire you as a bill writer) copy another successful bill or get the retired teachers to draft.

Pat- on any resolutions, bills etc. you draft — I am going to ask you who you cleared it with! None of us have sufficient experience to go it alone.! especially when legal issues are involved.

However, never give away leadership on an issue. Julius wants to introduce a resolution on unit budgeting — it is your job to work toward this goal.

Bathe enough information, and only enough, to achieve this goal. The details etc. will be thrashed out * during Committee hearings. You are to get other people to help you achieve our goal — not the reverse.

While items 2 + 3 are good steps — I still don't have the Calif unit budgeting plan you told us about weeks ago — or any other model — even one drafted by OE. Lets keep our eye on the goal + any meetings should move us in that direction. Julius is going to introduce the resolution — we'd like others to help

over

Major Issues 21 October 1975

1. Child Labor Law

A number of significant concerns were discussed at the Roundtable on Thursday. It appears that the Board's legislative proposal is not necessarily the best was to reorganize the work permit structure. Many participants felt that these procedures should be performed in a Deaprtment of Labor of in the Existant Depattment of Manpower. Many persons stated that there was inadequate inspection and monitoring, as well as insufficient publin information on this whole process. Others stated that to report out this bill without a broader view of youth employment problems would be ill-conceived. There were also some comments in support of the legislation as proposed. Lou will compile the results of the discussion and we will draft a report for committee members shortly. Ed webb felt that we should get more public input and comments, and futther investigation of the matter. He also suggested that we talk with youth directly.

2. Bill 1-51/pr 1-103

These are on the agenda for first reading on Tuesday November 4.

3. ANC andNPC Issue

Sterling Tucker introduced Bill 1-193 which provides for specific powers to the ANCs. In the Bill, Sec. 14(c), language is included on electing youths by single member districts and that these youth would constitute a youth advisory mechanism. This can possibly be interpreted to mean that the NPCs will quietly be abolished., which may not entirely be a bad idea. However, in any case, nothing has come to our committee on this subject. If NPCs are to be abolished, it may make more sense to do so publically and explain why and how. Our committee should not only be involved, but also ready to answer any critisism in this area.

4. Unit Budgeting Resolution

This will be on your desk this week, assuming you remembered to bring me the tab plan (smile). I have not received California legislation... I have put in another phone call to request it.

5. Resolution on Diggs Action

Attached is"Diggs"Resolution which was drafted earlier this week. I suggest that we call a committee meeting this week to discuss the study, provide the members with Diggs' proposal and Board of Education's resolution on their Advisory

Law Commission. At tha t time, the Committee members can vote to intorduce the measure to fhe full council. Lou suggests that we share a copy of the resolutionw with Marion Barry since he expressed an interest in the matter, and supported the idea o fof the resolution. The resolution will be voted on ~~a~~x~~k~~h~~e~~ at the November 18th meeting of the Council; the Board plans to adopt a similar measure on November 19. The timing of the resolutions should attract consider~~a~~ble publicity,

6. ERYA Meeting

A committee meeting this week should be scheduled for Friday, if at all possible. I have to take leave for Thursday to go tb the court proceedings for my divotce, which cannot be rescheduled. We have to discuss the resolution, as well as the child labor law. I will finalize a time early in the week so that a memo can go out to the committee members.

(Sorry this is typed so crudely, but Alice had to leave early today to care for one of her children, and I couldn't seem to strike the keys very well)

Meetings Attended October 28-31

1. Tuesday, October 28, 1975 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

   Committee of the Whole Meeting: My attendance was necessary in order to serve as staff resource person to the Councilmembers on Bill 1-51 and PR 1-103.

2. Wednesday, October 29, 1975 10:00am - 12:00 pm

   ERYA Special Meeting: Attended by Julius Hobson, Willie Hardy, William Spaulding, Sterling Tucker, Bob Williams, Ed Webb, Vincent Reed, Virginia Morris, Pat Miner. General discussion of school affairs. Mr. Reed will provide written replies to question areas discussed at the meeting.

3. Wednesday, October 29, 1975 4:00 pm

   Recreation Advisory Board, Monthly Meeting which Lou attended. A series of reports were presented by directors of various programs within the Recreation Department. Ne w item of interest was the Performance Monitoring System which is being required by the Mayor. (see page 1, item E-2 of the attachment) It is not totally clear what they will learn or if the information will be available to the Committee -- or merely to the Mayor. See proposed letter to Cole in signature folder.

4. Wednesday, October 29, 1975 7:00 pm

   Neighborhood Planning Council #8.
   Lou attended a review session of the disposition of the funding of projects be this NPC. Noami Eftis came to the office Tuesday to complain about OYOS' manipulation of the funding process in this particular NPC. We have recently received the resignation letter of the Chairperson of this NPC and Dave Clark has also expressed an interest. Lou attended this meeting as a follow-up to these complaints as well as to get a better idea of how they actually operate. His general conclusion is that the whole thing is a disaster. We need to come up with something which makes more sense. Note : letter in signature folder to Sterling which asks questions about the ANCs and NPCs and their respective roles; if the functions of the NPC's can be collapsed into the ANCs, it may result in a process which can be less easily manipulated by Jimmy Jones, et.al.

5. Thursday, October 30, 1975 10:00 am -12:00 pm

Child Labor Law Rountable Discussion

(See major issues)

6. Friday, October 31, 1975. 10:00am - 11:45 am

Staff Forum: Called by Bob Williams. This meeting was scheduled by the Secreatry for all Committee Clerks and legislative staff. This will be an ongoing series of meetings to outline new Council procedures, and other general requirements of staff. Details of a number of items which most Committee Clerks (including me) are not doing which have to be performed for Council records (e.g., filing of Committee agendas, minutes of meetings, and correspondence on proposed legislation) These things were never spelled our this way before. Bob Williams stated that there is ooncern that insufficient staff attends the Committee of the Whole meetings; he directed Committee Clerks to attend regularly. Other mysterious procedures will be spelled out in the future. It was informative in that he clarified the filing process and other heretofore hidden aspects of the legislative process. Other Committee Clerks expressdd dissatisfaction with the lack of information on precisely what is expected of us in terms of the Council in general, and record keeping.

MAJOR ISSUES 17 October 1975

1. Bill 1-51, School Officers Sabbatical Leave Act

Bill 1-51 will be filed on Monday. The report was revised at Willie Hardy's request at the time of approval; she had asked that further information be provided on the fiscal impact of the bill. The revised report includes a brief analysis of the cost changes and a precis of the Board of Education rules for the granting of such leave. The bill be on the agenda of the Committee of the Whole on October 28th and voted on in the legislative session of November 4th.

2. PR 1-103, Non-Resident Tuition Fee Resolution of 1975

PR 1-103 will be filed on Monday. The report was not prepared until this week; we were waiting for detailed information from the public schools. It was passed out at the Committee meeting on Thursday in draft form. Ed Webb made some suggestions for revision; it was revised and retyped today. The resolution will be on the agenda of the Committee of the Whole on October 28th and voted on in the legislation session of November 4th.

3. Unit Budgeting Resolution

I am meeting with the former Budget Director, now the acting Deputy Superintendent for Management Services. He is going to go over with me what information specifically the city government cannot provide by school. He says that the schools are able to do a number of analysis (theoretically) by school site - cost center which cannot be implemented due to programming problems and the fact that the city's computer program is incapable of spitting out the information at such a refined level. (He is a good man and knows his stuff.) After meeting with him on either Monday or Tuesday I will have a draft of the resolution to send home by the middle of the week. All work will have to be completed by October 28th in order to file in time for the November 4th meeting as you requested. Completion of the draft this week should afford sufficient time for review, setting up a format, and review by Bardyl, etc...

4. Retirement Act- Teachers

I am trying to get the preliminary work done so that I can send the bill to Mike Senger, the Council's Legislative Counsel for him to draft. I got an outline of what the retired teacher's want and copies of Ohio and South Dakota legislation. Unfortunately, I have to identify all sections of the D.C. Code which should be repealed or altered in order to insert the new provisions we would be introducing. As soon as I can complete that, Mike Senger can draft it for me. Maybe introduction by November 4th!

5. Resolution to the Mayor about OYOS/Dept. of Recreation Reorganization

try the resolution route

The Committee on Thursday, adopted a motion to communicate to the Mayor our expectation that the Executive Branch would formulate a process for consideration of a reorganization of the functions of OYOS and Recreation Department. Attached is the test of the Committee discussion in that area - we had to transcribe. A letter informing him of the Committee's action is one alternative... the other is preparation of a resolution for intorduction to the council from the Committee. Please advise. We think that probably a letter from Julius may suffice - but a resolution would have more force and attract publicity.

6. Child Labor Law Hearings

The Roundtable is definitely scheduled for October 30th. Letters will be out early next week. No secretarial help this week, so they will be done as soon as possible.

You better make phone calls letting the people know they will be receiving letters - Lou could do this.

Meetings Attended

1. Monday, October 20 - 2:00 p.m.

Present: Olivia Simmons, Pat Miner

Met with representative of the Board of Education staff to discuss the status of all of the legislation referred to the Committee by the Board. We agreed that we would meet on a regular basis to keep the board fully informed of our meetings, actions, etc.

2. Wednesday, October 22 - 10:00 a.m.

Present: Vincent Reed, Ed Winner (Acting Deputy Superintendent for Management Services)(DCPS) Frank Cush, Gladys Mack (OMB); Lynn Scholz, Ken Tatum (Budget Committee staff); Nadine Winter, Doug Moore, Marion Barry (Council); Bob Williams, Anne Darneille, (Council staff); Charles Braxton (Washington Teachers Union); Pat Miner, Lou Aronica (ERYA) and 2 other persons (?).

Meeting of the Committee on the Budget with the public schools' personnel to discuss the public school's process for furnishing data on their compliance with the FY 1976 Budget directives and provision of a financial plan. Doug and Marion requested that I attend to join in their discussion of the process for the monitoring of expenditures by the Council. Some data that the Council requested is now available, but many details are still being developed. They (DCPS) stated that their first priority was to assure that they knew the status of their own accounts so that no new crises developed during the remainder of the fiscal year. A long meeting - the DCPS people met with me afterwards to help me collect some of the data that I need.

3. Thursday, October 23, 1975 2:00 p.m.

Present: John Warren, Barbara Simmons, Betty Benjamin, Julius Hobson, Jr, Carol Schwartz, Hilda Mason, Virginia Morris, (Board of Education) ;Vincent Reed (DCPS); Sterling Tucker, Julius Hobson, Marion Barry, William Spaulding (Council); Ed Webb, Bob Williams (Council Staff); David Splitt (Board of Education Counsel) Pat Miner, Lou Aronica and Ken Thomas (ERYA).

Exploration of a unified approach by the Council and the Board of Education to Congressman Diggs' study of the school system.

Major Issues — 24 October 1975

We really want this resolution! skip meeting's (have Dave/Lou cover for you)

1. Bill 1-51 and P.R. 1-103

Bill 1-51 and P.R. 1-103 are on the agenda of the Committee of the Whole for Tuesday, October 28, 1975. Several persons have commented that our reports are comprehensive and informative. I have asked a person from D.C. Schools to be present in case there are questions from Council of a substantive nature on the Non-Resident Tuition Fees.

Julius asks that you not develop any legislation until you develop unit budgeting resolution

2. Unit Budgeting Resolution

Have you gotten the info from Caly? Did you have the meeting w/computer people?

The draft of the resolution is not completed. I had to attend a number of long-winded meetings this week. I am still collecting information for it and will finish it up, hopefully, next week.

3. Teacher's Retirement Legislation

have new intern work on unit budgeting (can w.C. Citizens do this.

I want to get our new intern to draft this as soon as possible. Arrington Dixon is working in the area of retirement systems for all district employees and is having a public hearing on December 5. I feel that we should introduce our legislation prior to the hearing. since it will be referred, most probably to his committee. (see attached notice of hearing)

Good idea but delay take our chances — we'll

4. Resolution on the Digg's study

Pat check with Diggs/Dellums office & see if they are still going to fund the Battle study. the resolution may not be necessary at this pt.

A short resolution will be drafted asking Digg's to keep out of DCPS's affairs (i.e. not do the Mark Battle Study) We can file it by Wednesday noon and ask for action at the November 4th meeting of the Council. Marion stopped by to let us know he had talked with you about it. We can either ask for immediate action or take it back to Committee. It would be extremely expedition if we could do it in one action, rather than waiting for publication in D.C. Register, reporting back to the Council, etc.

Make it simple if necessary at all

5. OYOS Reorganization

if they have elected to drop.

Ed Webb stated that, because the Committee had itself adopted a resolution on the matter of requesting a report from the Mayor, and that the Council had concurred with our earlier budget report, we should merely send a letter to the Mayor with copies to all councilmembers. The letter is in the signature folder. He said set the stage later for publicity and active inquiry into the possible reorganization.

I don't agree with this approach — probably not strong enough — you should have written a press release to go with the letter providing info. Too late now so let it go.

6. Special Education Law ← give this to Dave Smith for review

Attached is a copy of a comprehensive special education law from Massachusetts. We may wish to consider similar legislation.

7. Staff Operations

We now have the services of Ken Thomas, a third year law student at Howard University. Unfortunately, he is only good for 10 hours per week, some of which he must spend outside because of his schedule. (see intern folder for resume). I spent Thursday morning telling him about Council, getting him Charter Rules, etc. to orient himself. He will be here next Thursday (only day he is really free during the week)--unfortunately, that is the day that we have Child Labor Roundtable Discussion--I will try to have instructions for him on how to proceed with some project so that ten hours will not be wasted by him waiting for guidance while I am in Round Table meeting.

Can he work on unit bldg. or will Barry help in checking

code to all what items should be cancelled etc per our discussion

We do too!

I think that the staff is functioning more efficiently lately, for several reasons: (1) we are starting to get use to our "roles" (2) the services of interns and outside held are starting to fall into place (3) the slowing down of the Council's processes is having a salutory affect on all Council staff. I am generally pleased with the work that is going on.

I do want you all to understand that other Council members frequently request data, references, and other assistance from the committee staff--this is true of all committee's and we do the same, especially with Human Resources, Budget and University of D.C. Committees. For example, however, Government Operations receives fewer inquiries because it does not oversee agencies in any way analgous to ours-especially in terms of public visibility and impact on daily life. Because of the services we necessarily have to perform, the speed with which we complete long-term assignments is not what I would wish, but I feel that it is reasonable and improving.

Can Lou handle this & leave you free to do more organ. of assistance etc.

8. Roundtable Discussion

Invitations to participate in our Roundtable Discussion on Thursday, October 30, on the Child Labor Laws have been sent to the persons/organizations on the attached list. I don't know yet how many persons will participate, but we should receive some interesting views from quite a few of these groups. D.C. Citizens plans to be critical; we should abolish the bureaucr[illegible] which operate[illegible] programs.

9. ERYA Meeting with Morris and Reed

We are scheduled to meet with Virginia Morris and Vincent Reed on Wednesday, October 29th at 10:00 a. m. Confirmation letters have been sent.

Sorry you don't have good sharp press release to go with this — describing overlap & duplication you want examined. Then letter & press release can go to press. Otherwise Tucker tends to take credit for anything your committee does. Just remember for next time.

~~Jon~~

Pat —

Are you sure this
isn't the same letter
you sent Mr. Gilmore
before — don't send
this ~~same~~ a second routine letter
to the same person.
Just a thought — I'm
sure you haven't.

Major Issues 10 October 1975

1. Bill 1-48 Child Labor Law Roundtable

The Committee agreed at its meeting Thursday, October 9, 1975 to hold the Roundtable discussion on the Child Labor Law on Thursday, October 30, 1975 in Room 503 from 10-12 and 2-4 if necessary. We will send out letters early next week asking that persons participate. Do you have any specific suggestions? We plan to send notices to PTA's, NAACP, ACLU, Board of Education, and other ok persons on our mailing list.

I will leave Lou's analysis of the law and the side-by-side versions of the law in the notebook until the time of the Roundtable for review, since it is so long and cumbersome.

2. Bill 1-51, School Officers Sabbatical Leave Act

The Committee approved this bill on Thursday, 10/9/75. It was agreed that we would add further information and supportive data to the report before it is filed with the Secretary's office. The deadline for filing the report is Wednesday, October ~~22~~ 15, 1975, for consideration at the Committee of the Whole on October 28. Council First Reading will be on ~~November 4,~~ Oct 21 1975.

3. P.R. 1-103, Non-Resident Tuition Rates

The staff will develop a written report next week based on the information provided by D.C. Public Schools on non-resident tuition rates. We have a copy of the Board of Education's report which outlines the formulae for determining the rates. Both this report and the one for Bill 1-51 will be provided to the committee members at the next meeting (10/16/75) and circulated to all council members (after filing on October 22, prior to the work session on October 28).

4. ERYA Committee Meeting

This Thursday, we will have Jimmy Jones' representative from OYOS (Rev. Jesse Anderson) and Joe Cole, Director of the Department of Recreation to discuss aspects of the Recreation Support Grant that OYOS receives from the federal government, and areas of possible overlap of the two agencies. We will also discuss the Roundtable on the Child Labor Law to assure that Willie and Spaulding understand

the legislation. No other major business will be on the agenda, since we covered so much at the last meeting.

5. Lawyer's Committee for Civil Rights

Lou and I met with Michael Gaffney of the Lawyer's Committee for Civil Rights for lunch Friday. He is studying legal aspects of school finance, equalization, and decentralization in the D.C. public schools. He is currently involved in researching the impediments in the D.C. codes, other statutes, and Federal code to financial reform, etc. He is doing this at the request of the D.C. Citizens... he will feed us all of the research he has done so far, as well as future research and refer us to other helpful persons and organizations. They plan to write a summary paper by January on the whole issue (Ford Foundation Grant)... Their research will be completed by late November.

He is interested in both the idea about school site budgeting and the possibility of introducing legislation to repeal various portions of the D.C. code re: teacher's tenure, etc.

He asks that his assistance to us by extremely low-key.. no mention in the newspapers; no mention to other councilmembers, etc. As we hold hearings they will publically give testimony, however, to strongly support us. He will be out of town until the 20th. I think it will be a profitable relationship, although not quite as intense as I had thought.

Put we want the resolution for unit budgeting ready to be introduced on Nov. 4 — per our discussion with Barbyl. You may have to put other items aside + work with Barbyl on this if Mike Gaffney can't help. Remember the resolution will probably not be heard until after most of Mike's research is done. Perhaps Steve, Howie + Sandy can help if you get in a bind on the issue. I will be happy to stay home one day + work out a rough draft with you. But

6. ~~WTI~~ PARKING BAN

ATTACHED IS A LETTER FROM CLEVELAND DENNARD EXPLAINING HIS VIEWS ON THE PARKING BAN IMPOSED BY THE OLD COUNCIL FOR FUTURE CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AT WTI. CURRENTLY, THE COMMITTEES ON BUDGET AND TRANSPORTAITON AND ENVIRONMENT ARE STUDING THE SITUATION. THERE WILL BE A ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION, REFERRED TO TRANSPORTAION AND ENVIRONMENT, ON 4 O'CLOCK ON WEDNESDAY... SEE CALENDAR. THIS CORRESPONDENCE WILL REFRESH YOUR MEMORY. WE HAD DISCUSSED IT EARLIER WHEN IT WAS UNCLEAR WHAT COMMITTEE IT WOULD BE ASSIGNED T O FOR COMMENT AND REPORT.

7. RESOLUTION TO THE MAYOR

I AM CURRENTLY DEVELOPING A LIST OF ITEMS TO INCLUDE IN A RESOLUTION TO THE MAYOR, REQUESTING BI-MONTHLY REPORTS TO THE COUNCIL. WE CAN INCLUDE ITEMS NOT EVEN IN THE SCHOOL'S BUDGET SUCH AS NURSING SERVICES BY SCHOOL. I HOPE TO HAVE THE LIST COMPLETE WITHIN THE WEEK AND THE RESOLUTION DRAFTED SHORTLY THEREAFTER. LOU AND I FELT THAT, IF POSSIBLE, THAT WE SHOULD MAKE THE REQUEST RETROACTIVE TO THE BEGINNING OF THE FISCAL YEAR.

Put - all my note under #5 as we discussed - you'll get draft - should be ready to Bundy for legal comments and our final draft reviewed by both Matthews & Bundy so it can be typed on letterhead & ready for mailing.

I have two sheets on reporting at home which we should update and discuss with Lou in terms of reporting format & simplest way to do.

Major Issues 3 October 1975

1. Bill 1-50 "Advanced Additional Leave Act"

Bill 1-50 will be on the agenda of the Legislative Session on Tuesday, October 7, 1975. I will be prepared to rebrief you on that subject on Monday.

2. School Unit Budgeting

I attended parts of a two-day conference on school unit budgeting on Wednesday and Thursday of this week, held by the School Finance Committee of the National Urban Coalition. It was extremely valuable and I obtained the names of several persons who are in the forefront in the area of school finance reform.

invite to Thurs. meeting?

In this same regard, I spoke with David Long of the Lawyer's Committee on Civil Rights. They have hired a full time employee to look at the financial, equalization, and decentralization process in the District of Columbia Public Schools. We plan to get together early next week to discuss possible areas of mutual benefit; he intimated that their new lawyer might be able to offer us services similar to an intern in areas of mutual interest. (This group, as I am sure you are awre, has been working closely with D.C. Citizens and Joan Baratz on the whole area of School Finance Reform).

Gordon Bowden, Director of the Educational Relations Division of AT&T is going to send a copy of the report of what they have done with the municipality in New Jersey. They did significantly more work than merely with the School District; they discovered that there was no way to reform the schools in isolation from the rest of the city government.

3. Child Labor Law

Lou is developing a brief analysis of the law so that you will be able to digest the multitude of minor changes proposed by the school board.

4. Teacher's Retirement Fund

Within a few weeks, we should be receiving a draft copy of the law that the D.C. Retired Teacher's are desirous of our introducing. It will require some coordination on my part because they are slow. Matt Watson has not yet sent us his report.

give them a call

5. Career Education Law

I checked with the American Vocational Association (vocational NEA equivalent), USOE, NIE, and DCPS for a copy of the legislation which Oregon adopted. No one had a copy, although they all know about it and said it was an interesting program. I have written to the State Superintendent in Oregon for a copy.

6. OYOS

I spoke with the Mayor's secretary on Friday, after you ran into him and discovered that he had been out all week ill; she set up a meeting with him "tentatively" for October 8, 1975 at 11:00 a. m. I will inform other Committee members.

7. P.R. 1-103 Non-Resident Tuition Rates

We do not have a report for today, however, we will have a report by Tuesday, or Wednesday at the latest, on the Board's request for Council approval of the non-resident tutition rates. It will be both brief and fairly inconsequential. With Committee action on the 9th of October, it will be scheduled for the Council's Committee of the Whole worksession on October 28, 1975.

8. Council's Legal Perogatives

Ed Webb will have a memo for us prior to our meeting on Thursday. He will also attend and discuss his preliminary report with the Committee.

9. Council's Procedures and Impact on ERYA Action

The scheduling of our (and many others) committee's meetings on Thursday causes a delay of one week between committee adoption of reports/bills and filing reports and legislation for Committee of the Whole action on Wednesdays.

The new procedure requires thirteen days to elapse from the time of actual filing before bills are considered in legislative session (this allows for Committee of the Whole work session later in the legislative session). For example, the procedure for us is:

A. Report on Julius's desk: Sunday, October 5/October 12
B. Report presented to Committee: Thursday, October 9/ Wednesday, October 16
C. Report filed with Bob Williams: Wednesday, October 22
D. Committee of the Whole:(Monday Holiday) Tuesday, October 28
E. Council First Reading: Tuesday, November 4

(See attached memo, especially last page).

10. Miscellaneous

We have received another typewriter for committee staff use. (Hosanna!) Robert Williams has requested of the appropriate agency that we receive another telephone line; it will be a direct dial line.

October 3, 1975

Pat Would you like to ask David Long

Ms. Bardyl R. Tirana
600 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20037

Dear Ms. Tirana:

This is to confirm our conversation of 3 October 1975. On October 9, 1975 at 11:00 a.m., Ms. Tina Hobson, Ms. Martha Swaim and I will meet with you at your office to discuss school unit budgeting and other aspects of school finance reform. I am looking forward to seeing you at that time.

Sincerely,

Pat Miner

Pat Miner
Clerk, Committee on Education,
Recreation, and Youth Affairs

cc: Ms. Hobson
Ms. Swaim

Will check to Thursday

Meetings Attended September 29-October 3

1. Tuesday, September 30, 1975: I met with Marty Milrod of the National Institute of Education (NIE) who is with their School Finance Division. He provided information about a school district in California (Alum Rock) which had adopted a sophisticated equalization-budgeting plan called "pupil tracking system". This entails assigning a dollar weight to students and particular services, and providing those funds directly to the school which the student attends; they also have computerized pupil attendance which allows them to juggle the dollars as attendance fluctuates. This has in effect, he felt, given the principals drastically more power, and caused pressure on the central administration to deliver specialized services (e.g. psychologists, audio visual assistance) in a more efficient, professional manner.

2. Wednesday and Thursday, October 1&2, 1975: I attended selected sessions of the National Urban Coalition's School Finance Committee's meetings. Speakers discussed school finance litigation, federal school finance research, school site lump budgeting, school finance and the property tax, planning for school finance equalization across states and pupil weighting approaches. I talked at length with Dr. Badi Foster of Harvard's Graduate School of Education who suggested that I investigate a model proposed for ~~San Francisco~~ California (not yet adopted) by the Nelson Riles Commission on Budget and Finance. I will contact the person there to get a copy of their proposed local ordinance.

   The persons who devised the Florida legislation were supposed to attend, however they were unable to come. No one in Washington, that I have spoken to yet, has a copy of their legislation, but I have requested that it be sent.

3. The Budget Committee meeting, scheduled for Wednesday, October 1, 1975 on the Public Schools' budget has been rescheduled for October 8, 1975. I plan to attend.

4. Wednesday, October 1, 1975: Lou attended the CIP-TAC (Capital Improvements Program - Technical Advisory Committee) review of the Recreation Department's FY 1977 Capital Budget proposals. CIP-TAC serves as the Mayor's screening process for capital budget requests for all city departments. They examine the specific proposals to coordinate

Major Issues

September 19, 1975

1. School-Unit-Budgeting

I am having a meeting early next week with Nancy Harrison, (D.C. Citizens) Joan Baratz (who did their Equalization Study) and Marty Swaim (who will be working with D.C. Citizens on budget issues). They have been examining this issue and are going to share their findings with me. I am expecting an ERIC study on budgeting in other jurisdictions from the public school's research office. I am ready finally to approach your contacts. Will call you Monday a.m. We can anticipate a draft bill approximately 3-5 weeks. As I had discussed, we should introduce a meaty bill rather than wait until after introduction to clean it up. — I have some questions on this . . . Julius makes this decision

2. Child Labor Law

what bill?

Lou and I are meeting early next week with ACLU and D.C. Committee on the Legal Status of Women to discuss their suggestions regarding this bill. Will be ready to report out by next month. We have contacted the Greater Washington Central Labor Council for their comments.

3. OYOS

A meeting has been scheduled with the Mayor for on 1975. We will make sure Mrs. Hardy and Mr. Spaulding are informed A follow up letter has been drafted for your signature.

4. Responsibilities of Council in Area of Education

I have spoken with Ed Webb. He has agreed to comply with the committee's request. He will be speaking with you early next week. He plans to prepare a detailed report on our responsibilities in the area of education. Pat — how ~~does~~ does this relate to your earlier work? How long will this take?

5. Bill 1-50 "Advanced Additional Leave Act"

The "mark-up" bill, as approved by the Committee, will be transmitted to the Committee of the Whole for its consideration on October 29th in the work session.

why not earlier

6. Bill 1-51 "School Officers Sabbatical Leave Act"

We will hold this bill and its back-up materials/report until the next Committee meeting.

OYOS

#3 note--The Mayor's office has not yet scheduled a meeting. His Secretary, Mrs. Cook will call on monday morning.

let Julius know Mon.

MAJOR ISSUES 26 September 1975

1 ERYA Committee meeting

Lou indicated that you said you wanted a committee meeting this Thursday if Ed Webb has completed his report we requested. If so was can probably report out Bill 1-51

I thought Arnold & Porter had said no.

2. Legal Authority of the Council vis-a vis Board of Ed

As Ed Webb indicated to you, he will do a preliminary report on our authority. when? He is arranging with Arnold & Porter (I believe) to do a larger report on the overall jurisdiction of the Council in educational matters. Ed also stated that he planned to chat with Willie and Spaulding about it. → not necessary — will only take extra time!

3. Bill 1-50 "Advanced Additional Leave Act"

Bill 1-50 and our report have been filed with the Secretary on Wednesday for inclusion on the agenda of Monday's Committee of the Whole meeting. At that time you must present the report and answer any questions of the othe r Council members.

* * * Where is the report for Julius to present — have you briefed him.

4. School Unit Budgeting

As discussed earlier this week, I am working on the research for the bill, especially the Florida legislation and several programs in California jurisdictions. I am meeting on Tuesday with Marty Milrod of the National Institute of Education to get the material that the School Finance Unit there has compiled.

Let's discuss

5. Child Labor Law

Lou has prepared letters to several groups and persons requesting that they review the bill. When will this bill be ready for Julius to present? He has prepared a side-by side analysis of the old bill and the proposed amendments. We need to go through some formal public motions about this bill. I suggest a roundtable discussion as I stated last week. If you do not concur we will proceed to bring it up strictly with the committee.

no — Julius wants hearings on the bill — after he presents to Council

6. FY 76 Budget

The Budget Committee in its reveiw of the agencies' compliance with the directives of the Appropriations act for FY 76 has requested OMB and DCPS Budget Office personnel to come to their next meeting to explain the status of their budget situation. M Barry and Lynn Scholz (Budget Comm. Clerk) have requested that I attend. (See attached minutes of their meeting.) Meeting will be Wednesday, October 1 at 2:00 p.m.; you may want to sit in on this one.

7. OYOS

I did not get any response from the Mayor's office yesterday; this morning when I called, I was informed that the Mayor's secretary could not make it in because of the weather conditions. I suggest that we go again personnally to the Mayor's office Monday, followed by a letter Monday afternoon to the committee members to brief them. Letter of follow-up will also be sent to the mayor.

8. P.R. 1-103

On September 23, the non-resident tuition rates resolution was referred to our committee. Resolutions of this type are usually reported out as quickly as possible; it should be noted that the D.C. Board sent this request fairly late considering that school opened in September. Ed Webb has indicated that we should act on this with all due speed.

One of the rates is for the D.C. Youth Orchestra members which has been very controversial in the past (one of the myriad of fights between Sizemore and Board). The board has apparently adopted rates which do not actually reflect the cost of the program, as opposed to other programs in which they charge the full cost -- I will find out the actual details for the report. We may have trouble getting committee concurrence on this one.

ADDENDA:

Ed Webb indicated to Lou on Friday at 6:00 p.m. that there was a possibility that Bill 1-50 would not make the agenda for the Committee of the Whole on Monday, September 29 ; therefore, it would not be considered until Monday, October 13th!
A telephone conversation with Ed revealed that it would be on the agenda as the last item; all times of filing would be noted beside each bill.

If it does not come up on the agenda, it is my fault for filing it after the noon deadline; when the new rules were enforced, I did not remeber that the filing time as well as the date had been changed. (I anticipate that they might not get to it anyway because the marijuana bill is on the agenda earlier.)

Unfortunate — Pb discuss with Julius

tc

MEETINGS ATTENDED September 22-26, 1975

1. Meeting with ACLU on Child Labor Amendments (Bill 1-48)

On Monday September 22nd we had a brief meeting with Diane Josephson of the ACLU on Bill 1-48. They will be having a session on this in early October and will get in touch with us on any recommendations they may have. It seemed from our meeting that they will have few if any objections or proposed changes to the amendments that make up Bill 1-48. The session ended with a more general discussion on youth affairs. ACLU plans to establish a juvenile task force to oversee both legislative and programmatic concerns.

We have also prepared letters to two other groups (Central Labor Council & DC Committee on Legal Status of Women) asking their comments on this bill.

2. D.C. Citizens for Better Public Education

On Tuesday September 23rd met with Nancy Harrison, Joan Baratz, and Marty Swaim. Discussed aspects of unit budgeting. They felt that the bill would require extensive research and funding committment in order to assure its implementation. They gave me leads on Florida and California legislation.

3. Meeting on 1st Stage Construction Design

On Tuesday, September 23rd, Willie Hardy asked Lou to join her in a meeting with Frank Cush of Comer Coppie's office to discuss and find out about the new process required for the construction of new public buildings built by the D.C. government funded under the new bonding procedure. First stage construction designs will now be required for all new schools, etc. before they are presented to the Council for bonding approval. (The Committee approved a reprogramming in August on 1st stage design for 5 schools and the meeting with Cush was to clarify what is involved in the process and how it differs from the present design process being done by Starobin's office in DGS).

4. Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

On Wednesday, September 24th, Lou went to the Recreation Advisory Board meeting (see attached minutes of last meeting and current agenda). Mostly these Rec. Advisory Bd. meetings are a presentation of information and raising of questions. The current meeting included a discussion of a building that will be built by the Sursum Corda group and donated to the city, and the problems of finding funds a year or so from now to staff and operate the building (the Rec Dept has problems getting money to operate the buildings they have but seem to have an easier time getting capital construction funds or donations or grants for buildings) and the Emery Tract (see page 4 item 12) which is planned for a joint Rec facility & Library but which the city seems to be ready to sell to the YMCA for a new building. Also had a chance to see the first proposals sent to the budget office for possible new construction projects for the FY 77 budget.

5. FY 76 Budget

On Thursday, September 25th, met with Frank Cush (OMB) and Lynn Scholz (Buget Committee) to review adjustments made by the Board of Education in their budget to comply with Council directives in Appropriations Act.

Major Issues

September 12, 1975

OYOS

1. Meeting ERYA

The Education Committee will meet this coming Thursday at 10:30 a.m. See the attached proposed agenda for the meeting.

2. Bills for Report

We will be able to report Bill 1-50 - D.C. School- "Advanced Emergency Leave Act" and Bill 1-51- D.C. Schools - "Schools officers Sabbatical Leave Act" at the committee meeting this Thursday. If the committee approves the reporting out of these two bills, they can be put on the agenda for the Committee of the Whole for Monday, September 29, 1975. They then can be reported to the council in its session Tuesday, October 7, 1975.

3. Child Labor Law

what exactly is this to accomplish

I suggest that we set up the rountable on the "D.C. Child Labor Laws" for the date of the next regular committee meeting, Thursday, Oct. 16th. This will allow time to get in touch with the ACLU (they offered to help work up the bill) as well as the public. I suggest we send out an announcement with a covering letter to our committee mailing list and the press following this Thursday's meeting.

4. OYOS

hand carry letter & send copy to Comer Coppie's office.

Dr. James Jones of OYOS has not sent us the reports we asked for in the budget act. I saw him on the street the other day and he said that Comer Coppie's office has them for review. I suggest that the attached letter be sent to Dr. Jones and thus put officially "on the record".

5. D.C. Schools Advisory Commission

Attached is a memo from Dwight Cropp to the Board of Education which we are passing on for your information. The schools appear on their way to setting up an Advisory Commission to propose (1) changes in existing statutes regarding powers of Board of Education and the Superintendent and (2) operation of relationships between the schools and other agencies (see pages 5 and 6) Sec. 3 (page 6) provides for forwarding to the council (or Congress) a ny proposals requiring legislative action.

Pat

Julius is very anxious to report on/out all bills before the committee — pls get Lou to place 1st priority on developing info. to bring all remaining bills before regular committee on Oct. 16. Julius does not think it necessary for you & Lou to attend all Council meetings — would like to get more work done.

1st priority for you & Sandy so to can get one good intern to work on legislation. Contact all grad. schools of education in area — get Deans on phone with Julius if necessary. The unit budgeting bill/policy should have been on Julius' desk Oct 1. You need to build on 1st experience. Julius does want to introduce good legislation so let's spend our time in that direction & not with "round tables"!

MAJOR ISSUES

July 25, 1975

1. University Bill

Staff did not receive a copy of the Bill, 1-115, as amended on July 15 (at the first reading) until Friday, July 25, 1975 at 3:00 P.M. It should be noted that, at that time, Chairman Tucker, Ed Webb, etc. had not yet received their copies. Lou is very concerned because there has not been ample time to give the bill sufficient review by anyone, especially since it was substantially amended at the time of first reading. I am going to a round table discussion on the bill Sunday with someone from Barry's and Coates' staff, and Dr. Julius Mack (Dean of Sciences, F.C.C.). I will have brief outline of any proposed amendments which may be deemed feasible and/or important on Monday.

2. Sizemore Hearing

It looks as if the hearings on terminating Sizemore are going to proceed. If you think they should be, we can cover them, although I did not intend to (except through press and reports from others who were there). not necessary - talk about sending your high school student

3. OYOS Youth Hearings

On Wednesday, July 23, the Office of Youth Opportunity Services held a meeting to discuss the planned "Youth Hearings" which they will be holding starting this coming week. Lou was only able to stay for part of the discussion but it seems that the whole idea is full of gaping holes. It seemingly was set in motion only last week. It is poorly conceptualized and lacks specifics. It seems like an exercise to legitamize Jones' idea to institute a school security force (of students)-without full input from the public schools, or adequate research and planning.

The D.C. Schools have addressed themselves to many objections (see enclosed). Rhody McCoy (F.C.C. is a cosponsor of these hearings) realizes that the whole thing is on the thin side. We should do nothing at this moment. Lou and I plan to attend the first session or so. We should be prepared to ask some hard questions later of Jimmy Jones to get some idea of what was supposed to happen/did happen.

How about writing letter from Julius & asking for written report (hearing) - including amendments to some quarters) by a certain date.

5. Recreation Department

A. Someone who works here in the Council alleged that the Recreation Department had reserved the tennis courts at Pierce Mill for use by Sidwell Friends School every day from noon to 4 p.m. and that fees were being charged for use of the tennis courts ($2.75/hour) of the public. Lou called the Rec. Dept. and was told that neither was their policy but that they would check out the Pierce Mill question and report to us. Do you want Rec dept to put in writing?

B. The Municipal Planning Office forwarded to the committee the draft of the D.C. Long-Range Pool Plan (Swimming) Pool Plan for comment and review. The plan was drawn up for the Department of Recreation. The Planning Office is coordinating the review of the document. Both Lou and I have quickly read through the plan and we intend to discuss it before I leave so that we can make recommendations to you. We will also contact the Planning Office so that we can make appropriate input into the review process.

6. Board of Election's Hearing/Nominees

Lou went to the brief hearings conducted on the Board of Elections nominees on Tuesday. He said that "it looks like a hack job"-especially the Mayor'sselections and the Council's hearings on them (e.g. the invited witnesses part). The only bright aspect is that, for the first time, a woman(actually 2 women) has been named to the Board of Elections. Lou suggests that Julius vote "present" on the nominations and recognize the historical significance of a woman being nominated.

Major Issues

27 June 1975

1. Hearing - July 2 & 3, 1975

So far 11 persons have signed up for July 2 and 7 persons for July 3. The group includes 4 Board of Education members; representatives of League of Women Voters, ADA, D.C. Citizens for Better Public Education, P.O.W.E.R., Black Man's Development Center, Federation of Civic Associations, Independent Foundation, and a few private citizens. I believe the majority of the speakers are going to address the stated agenda of the hearing; I do not anticipate a forum on Ms. Sizemore based on the witness list. However, because of the vague nature of Council Act 1-13, which is quoted in the hearing notice, we should allow five to ten minutes of testimony on any subject even mildly germane.

Preliminary to the hearing, on Monday afternoon, Lou and I are meeting with Maryann Freeman (of Sterling Tucker's staff), Louise Malone (D.C. Citizens for Better Public Education), a lawyer from the D.C. Bar Association and possibly Richard Paisner (a lawyer from Wilmer, Cutler, and Pickering who had approached Lou to offer his services to our Committee.) This group will discuss the Council's legislative power concerning education. If Ed Webb has returned from leave and can join us, I will urge that he sit in on the discussion.

2. University Bill

Mr. Spaulding is holding a series of meetings on the University Bill to discuss proposed alterations of the bill. Current objections are raised against the selection criteria for trustees, and consolidation of FCC and Washington Technical Institute. Several Councilmembers (i.e. Wilson, D. Moore, Dixon, perhaps Barry) are concerned about the make up of the trustees; generally, they

favor some geographic mix from the city. Concerns have been raised whether or not all trustees should be DC residents.

The consolidation of the existing schools, while it would appear to be economically and operationally efficient, is open to serious questions. Several major studies on higher education question the wisdom of mixing vocational with academic education.

Four year technically oriented programs are acceptable to the opponents of the consolidation. It is cogently argued that if the University of the District of Columbia is to be an effective university, of eventual national stature that it should not be the institution to grant certificates for such programs as plumbing, etc.; Mr. Spaulding charges that opponents to this are elitist and racist.

My own opinion is that a system should be structured with (1) a comprehensive vocational and community college program and (2) a small university. It should be left to the trustees as to whether specific programs at the existing institutions fall into one area or the other.

3. Public Library

It has come to my attention that all branch libraries and the central library are now closed on Saturdays and Sundays. The person who answered the telephone at the information number for the public library stated that this was due to budget cuts imposed by the District Government. I am fairly sure that their fiscal situation actually did necessitate a cut back in services. We may want to propose closing one day during the week to allow for some weekend hours.

4. Department of Recreation

In the minutes of the last Recreation Advisory Board meeting, it was noted that the Director has "second thoughts about the practicality of closing the recreation centers on holidays, due to the budget crunch." Over Memorial weekend, for example, the majority of the recreation centers were closed; extensive vandalism was done to three recreation centers. The Director felt that it may be less expensive to maintain longer hours than repair buildings vandalized because they are closed.

5. D.C. Schools

Recently I noticed in a newspaper story that the school districts in the area graduate many more students per high school than does D.C. Here are the numbers and the ratio you get by division:

	number of graduates	high school	# graduate/h.s.
D.C. Public Schools	5870	21	280
Fairfax County	10184	20	509
Prince George's Cty.	9000	18	500
Arlington Cty	1430	3	477
Montgomery Cty.	9460	21	450

The D.C. schools include a few special schools (e.g. Capitol Page School) which throws off the average a bit, but in general we either (1) have smaller schools or (2) fewer people finish school in DC than in suburbs. [Hilda Mason's testimony in February at the Budget Priority Hearing about the effort made by each state for education asserted that DC spends the lowest percentage of its budget on education. We have one of the highest per capita tax payments in the nation (combined total for local, county and state taxes).] The number of graduating students is another aspect of how well we spend our money for education.

Meetings attended by Committee Staff- June 23-27,1975

Committee of the Whole - June 23
Legislative Session - June 24

I only attended one formal meeting this week - on the University Bill - on Thursday, June 26. It was rescheduled for Tuesday, July 2, at 8:00 am.

Council of the District of Columbia
Memorandum

City Hall, 14th and E Streets, N.W. 20004 Fifth Floor 638-2223 or Government Code 137-3806

To COUNCILMEMBERS

From William R. Spaulding, Chairman, Committee on the University of the District of Columbia

Date June 25, 1975

Subject Forum and Format for further consideration of Bill 1-115, the University Bill.

I am seeking to identify the most proper forum and format for our further consideration of the University Bill. Several alternatives have been presented. They are as follows:

1. The Committee would hold work-sessions where all Councilmembers and their staffs are invited;

2. The Committee would schedule individual work-sessions with each Councilmembers or any combination of Councilmembers [this would be arranged to suit each Councilmembers particular schedule]; and

3. The Committee would ask each Councilmember to submit his or her comments, recommendations, and any other information to the Committee, followed by a meeting with each Councilmember at his or her convenience so that the points raised may be discussed.

The Committee seeks your assistance and guidance in this matter. The Committee is receptive to utilizing all three alternatives, any combination or variation thereof or any other alternative which you may wish to suggest. Pursuant thereto, a member of the Committee staff will be contacting you shortly regarding this subject.

Initially however, I am scheduling a work-session on Bill 1-115 for Thursday, June 26 at 2:00pm in conference Room 505.

Rescheduled 7/2/75 at [illegible]

VACATION SCHEDULE

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, RECREATION & YOUTH AFFAIRS

CLERK: MS. PATRICIA E. MINER

PAT MINER:	from August 4	to August 15
Sandy Brown:	from: August 28	to September 5
Lou Aronica	from: June 2	to June 6
Lorraine McCottry	from: July 7	to August 1
Alice Blue	from --	to --

APPROVED: _____

Councilmember Julius W. Hobson

cc: to Staff
Council Secretary

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS ATTENDED

June 30 - July 3, 1975

1. Meeting re Legislative Powers of Council; June 30, 2:00pm

Attended by: Mary Ann Freeman (Tucker's staff), Nancy Harrison (D.C. Citizens for Better Public Education), Louise Malone (ditto), Dan Katz (D.C. Bar Association), Lou and me.

General feeling of the group was that Council does have broad powers although not able, without referendum and Congressional ratification, to alter status of the Board of Education. Dan Katz indicated that the D.C. Bar Associations Committee on Administrative Procedures was studying this question and would be glad to discuss it further with me in the future.

perhaps should give you memo to these groups for review/comment

2. Meeting re University Bill ; July 2, 8:00 am

Attended by: Ms. Shackleton, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Spaulding, and staff representing Rev. J. Moore, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Tucker, Ms. Hardy. League of Women Voters had four representatives present. and me. (I had to leave before over to prepare for our hearing.)

Discussion on possible amendments to the University Bill, especially regarding make-up of the Board of Trustees to allow for wider citizen representation. University structure changes will also be considered now that Ms. Shackleton and Mr. Dixon fought so hard; they recieved some assurances that there will be amendments to Spaulding's version of the bill.

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Very Good!

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To Sterling Tucker, Chairman

From Julius W. Hobson, Chairperson JWH
Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs

Date July 2, 1975.

Subject Status Report

Pursuant to your request, attached is a status report on the current workload of the Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs. If you have any further questions, please contact me or a member of the Committee staff.

Attachment

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs

STATUS REPORT
June 30, 1975

I. Bills referred to Committee:

(1) Bill 1-48 Child Labor Law - Introduced 3-18-75.

(2) Bill 1-49 Cadet Corps Termination Act - Introduced 3-18-75; adopted 5-13-75, Act 1-20. Awaiting Congressional 30 day hold-over to become law.

(3) Bill 1-50 TSA Advance Emergency Leave - Introduced 3-18-75.

(4) Bill 1-51 Teacher Sabbatical Leave - Introduced 3-18-75.

(5) Bill 1-53 Authorize Acceptance of Voluntary Services - Introduced 3-18-75.

(6) Bill 1-54 Jr. College Accreditation Act - Introduced 3-18-75; adopted 5-13-75, Act 21. Awaiting Congressional 30 day hold-over to become law.

(7) Bill 1-110 Elected Superintendent of Schools - Introduced 6-3-75. No action has yet been taken; Committee will discuss aspects of this bill after hearings on July 2 and 3, 1975.

Bills 1-48, 1-50, 1-51, and 1-53 have been studied by Committee staff. A written request has been made to Judy Rogers for Executive comment. Bill 1-48 will need extensive investigation and probably public hearings. Consideration is being given to expand the effect of Bill 1-53 to include other agencies to accept free and voluntary services, e.g., libraries, hospitals; discussion with the Committee on Human Resources is being pursued.

II Resolutions referred to Committee:

P.R. 1-42 Teachers Salary Classification - Introduced 4-1-75; adopted 4-22-75, Resolution 1-64.

III Hearings held or planned by Committee:

1. Hearings were held on the FY 1976 Budget to review the requests of the agencies under the purview of the Committee; these hearings were on March 22 and 27, 1975. Budget reports were filed with the Committee on the Budget on April 2 and 3, 1975.

2. Hearings were scheduled on Equalization (Wright Decree) and Comparability Requirements of ESEA, Title I on April 16 and 17, 1975 but were postponed in deference to a request from the Board of Education. The Committees on Educational Programs and Federal Grants of the the Board of Education held hearings on this topic on June 7, 1975; we expect a report and recommendations from the Board of Education. We anticipate holding hearings of a substantive nature in the Fall of 1975.

3. Hearings directed by Act 1-13, Rational Administration of the Public Schools Act, on the status of the Board of Education and the organization and administration of the public schools in the District of Columbia will be held on July 2 and 3, 1975. This falls within the ninety days that the act is in force, since it was enacted as emergency legislation on May 6, 1975.

4. Hearings will be scheduled on Bill 1-48 at some time after the August recess. Hearings may be necessary in the consideration of Bills 1-53 and 1-110 referred to above.

5. Hearings on the coordination of activities by agencies are likely: e.g. school security and safety (now carried out by D.C. Public Schools, Recreation Dept. and OYOS), recreational programs and facilities (Recreation Dept., OYOS and D.C. Schools), and coordination of capital construction projects to eliminate overlap or lack of proper facilities.

6. Hearings concerning possible Committee and Council approval of the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan, prepared for the Recreation Dept., may be required; this plan was funded through a Bureau of Outdoor Recreation Grant and currently is under review by both the Recreation Dept. and B.O.R. Council consideration may be necessary, following joint acceptance of the plan by the two agencies, relating to funding and master planning considerations.

7. Hearings concerning the possible enactment of legislation authorizing decentralized budget allocation (local school budgeting) for the public schools may be scheduled.

8. The Committee requested in its FY 1976 budget reports, a series of reports from OYOS, relating to operational aspects of its grant and regular-funded programs and coordination of such programs with other governmental agencies. These reports are due September 1, 1975. It is anticipated that the Committee will propose legislation reorganizing various facets of youth programs, which will require public hearings.

IV. Reprogrammings referred to the Committee

1. Recreation Center for the Mentally Retarded and Physically Handicapped-Referred 2-25-75; adopted 4-14-75.

2. Dunbar Senior High School (Demolition and Stadium Construction)-Referred 2-25-75; adopted 4-14-75.

3. Wheatley Playground (Recreation Center)-Referred 2-28-75; adopted 3-25-75.

4. Parkview Recreation Center - Referred 3-21-75; adopted 4-14-75.

5. Washington Technical Institute (Aerospace Program-National Airport)-Referred 6-12-75; adopted 6-30-75.

To date five reprogrammings requests have been referred to and reported out of the Committee. While the Committee has reported favorably, it has replied with critical comments on the capital construction process on each of the requests. All reprogrammings except Dunbar and WTI have been approved by Congress; Dunbar is scheduled to be considered at the time the FY 1976 Budget is reviewed in Committee by Natcher and Chiles.

V. Letters of Inquiry and Telephone Calls

Letters of inquiry and telephone calls for assistance from citizens and groups are received on a regular basis. These items require that staff follow up on such requests, which includes a variety of actions. Approximately two days per week are required to assist citizens who have contacted the Committee directly or to aid other Council staff with problems in are as related to this Committee's jurisdiction.

VI. Meetings at the request of citizens

Meetings at the request of citizens and groups occupy at least one day per week of staff time. These meetings frequently require followup actions.

VII. Administrative Duties

Administrative duties and requests require at least one day each week by staff. This includes such items as status reports regular and special council meetings, time accounting, and regular reporting.

Very Good outline — best yet

Major Issues — July 3, 1975

would like to see format of report — 1st draft next Sunday.

1. Hearings

At the committee hearings on July 2nd and July 3rd, a total of 37 people testified [19 provided written statements]. Several other written statements were submitted for the record. We will begin to prepare a report on the hearings next week.

A few initial observations can be made about areas of concurrence by many of the people who testified:

how much?

1. They did not want the elected school board abolished. There was some sentiment for having a referendum question in November on this question.

where should this legislation come from? new committee

2. Practically unanimous feeling that recall provision desired for all elected officials.

do we have a good definition of this?

3. The members of the Board of Education who spoke [5 members testified & Hilda passed in a written statement - from both sides of the Sizemore issue] raised the same points: the need to give the schools the authority now divided between the school system and the D.C. government (e.g. classifying positions, payroll & financial control, contracting power) so that the schools could be held responsible for doing the job they are expected to do. Many specific details and proposals were presented.

What powers should belong to school system — similar to other large city systems by band size?

A copy of the witness list is attached.

2. Committee Meeting

I suggest, after the report on the hearings can be drafted, that the committee meet to discuss suggestions and potential areas of legislation. The committee should develop recommendations and submit a report to the Council (perhaps prior to August recess).

Probably report to committee before Aug — but not to Council — too rushed.

3. Legislative Powers

Attached (in the special item section) is a draft, which still needs some structural work, of the legislative powers statement. Ed Webb has read it and liked it; I also discussed it being jointly authored by Ed and I. If you concur yes we can pass it to Committee members for further discussion. It could also be included with hearingreport to the Council.

Good

not until you & Ed Webb consider it absolutely accurate & complete — informal review by Kat?

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE STATUS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Council Chamber
Wednesday, July 2, 1975
and
Thursday, July 3, 1975

* written statement obtained

WITNESS LIST
July 2, 1975

10:00 A.M.

PERSON	ORGANIZATION
1. Barbara Simmons *	Board of Education
2. Catherine Mayo * Virginia Morris *	League of Women Voters
3. Rollie Kimbrough *	Citizen
4. Charles T. Green	Director, D.C. Minimum Wage and Industrial Safety Board
~~5. Roy Watlington~~	Citizen
6. Karen Henderson-Dorman *	Greater Washington Americans for Democratic Action
~~7. Anton Wood~~ will submit statement	Citizen
8. Nelson C. Roots	~~Chairman, Education Committee D.C. Federation of Civic Associations~~ citizen

2:00 P.M.

1. Harriet Hubbard	chairman, Ed comm D.C. Federation of Civic Associations
2. Col Rafiq Bilal	Black Man's Development Center
3. Nell Pendleton — July 3rd	Citizen
4. Yango Sawyer	Citizen
~~5. Calvin Nophlin~~	Citizen
6. Al Gueory	Citizen
~~7. Catherine Taylor~~	Citizen - Parent
8. Ruth Goodwin	Citizens of D.C. Education in Distress (EID)
9. Mary L. Johnson	Parent - Teacher - Citizen
Delovis Murray	teacher

July 3, 1975

10:00 A.M.

PERSON	ORGANIZATION
1. John Warren *	Board of Education
2. Wanda Oates	People of Washington for Educational Reform (P.O.W.E.R.)
3. William Treanor *	Board of Education
4. Elizabeth Kane *	Board of Education
5. Sister Charlotte Hannan	Office of Social Development Archdrocese of Washington
6. Raphael Semmes, III	National Secretary, Independent Foundation
7. Randolph S. Kinder	Chairman, Board of Trustees, Independent Foundation
8. Dennis Goldstein	Coordinator, Education Committee Washington Area Independent Foundation
Dr. Phyllis B. Hendrix *	teacher
9. Bernice Hammond Jackson	Community Educator - Citizen
10. William Larkin	Citizen
11. Harry Murray *	Citizen
12. William Simons *	President, Washington Teachers Union
13. Geraldine S. Jackson *	Teacher - Citizen

2:00 P.M.

~~1. Sam Newman~~	Citizen
2. John Mercer, Atty. *	D.C. Citizens Group
3. ~~Margaret W. Jones~~ * Nancy Henson	D.C. Citizens for Better Public Education
4. Sam Smith	President, Eaton Home and School Association
5. Abasolom Jordan *	Black United Front
6. D. Joseph Hunter *	Former D.C. School Board Candidate
7. Minnie Woodson	Ward 7 - Education Forum
~~8. James Speight, Jr.~~	Citizen

Nell Pendleton - from July 2nd
Al Garbus

written statement from Hilda Mason *

Council of the District of Columbia
Memorandum

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To Julius W. Hobson, Chairperson
Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs

From Pat Miner, Committee Clerk

Date June 26, 1975

Subject Laws enacted by the Council

According to the Legislative Support Unit, the following laws enacted by the Council are in effect, having passed the required Congressional review period:

D.C. Law 1-1 (Act 1-2; Bill 1-5)
Act Providing for Zoning

D.C. Law 1-2 (Act 1-2; Bill 1-9)
Amend Unemployment Compensation Act

D.C. Law 1-3 (Act 1-5: Bill 1-12)
Amend Horizontal Property Act

D.C. Law 1-4 (Act 1-6: Bill 1-14)
Public Space under Dupont Circle

D.C. Law 1-5 (Act 1-7; Bill 1-13)
Amend Public Assistance Act



To the Palais Royal Department Store goes the honor of opening the first War Bond and Stamp selling agency of its kind in the District. Arch McDonald, WJSV announcer, and Jane Pickens, singer, took part in the opening ceremonies. (Evening Star - June 6, 1943)

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this should be put in notebook

Major Issues

20 June 1975

1. Public Hearing - July 2 and 3, 1975

You may want to follow up with phone calls.

Hearing notices have been sent to all Board of Education members, PTA officers, some civic associations, League of Women Voters, and all persons who signed up for the earlier hearing. So far, 9 persons have signed up to testify, including Barbara Simmons, John Warren, William Treanor, and 2 other Board of Education members to be designated next week by the Secretary of the Board.

2. University Bill

The university bill will come up for first reading on Tuesday in the Legislative Session. The proposed amendments from Rhody McCoy are attached; he will be contacting you later for specific strategies. The major objections are : the makeup of the Trustees, the submersion of the existing insititutions into one consolidated university, and the master plan requirement. See attached paper prepared by Arrington Dixon.

what does the paper say?

3. Reprogramming Request - WTI

Since the reprogramming request for WTI was approved at our Committee's meeting, it will be forwarded to the Budget Committee on Monday. It will be on the Agenda of the June 30, Committee of the Whole meeting for Council approval. does Julius need to take any steps to assure approval

But major issues relating to these attachments should be summarized by you - one or 2 paragraphs - so Julius need not read. Always have done by Sunday - this time you will have to try orally!

Major Issues

13 June 1975

1. D.C. Public Schools - Hearing on Equalization

The hearing held by the Board of Education's Committees on Educational Programs and Federal Grants on Equalization and Title I comparability requirements, on June 7, 1975, was sparsely attended (c. 30 people). The suggestions made by community persons varied: several persons felt that the system should go back to court requesting a substitution of the Title I comparability formula; several other suggested petitioning the Office of Education to consider substituting the equalization formula in lieu of Title I comparability; Joan Baratz for D.C. Citizens proposed equalizing on paper prior to the opening of school and making minimal adjustments after the school year is under way.

2. Council's WTI Parking Ban

In the FY 1974 and FY 1975 Capital Outlay Budget's funds were requested for parking facilities in the Phase II construction of Washington Technical Institute (WTI). The Council took the position that no parking spaces would be allowed and put such restrictive language in the appropriations bills. Because GSA is constructing the school in conjunction with the international center at that site, there was a necessity for an environmental impact statement, which addresses the issues of traffic, pollution, etc., in the Van Ness St., Connecticut Ave. area. D.C. Government personnel are working with GSA, NCPC and the State Dept. to try to develop a compromise which meets the State Dept's and WTI's parking needs as well as environmental acceptability. I have attended a meeting of those agencies and shared the materials with Tony Rachal. I might note that we have received a letter from Cleveland Dennard asking that we reconsider the parking ban. When the issue is ready for Council consideration, it will come through our Committee and Rev. J. Moore's Committee. I will keep you informed of developments. I personally feel some compromise of the Council's position is in order because it seems that the major problem has been citizen complaints about the forced changes to the character of their neighborhood; given the fact that it is virtually a "fact accompli" The Committee should reexamine the issue and develop some manageable compromise.

3. University Bill

Richard Segal from FCC is drafting some proposed amendments to Mr. Spaulding's Bill which I hope to receive on Monday. It is expected that he will report out that Bill for first reading at Tuesday's legislative session.

4. Energy Conservation

I concur with the suggestion that we send letters to the schools re: energy conservation practices. We should also send copies to Library, Recreation, Colleges, as well as the Council itself. Please make some specific suggestions.

5. Status Report

I received a call on 12 June 1975 from LaValle Thomas in Sterling Tucker's Office re: status report on the Committee workload. She stated that several committee's had provided them to the Chairman and that he had asked her to check with other Committee's to request that they prepare them. I asked if there was a memorandum on that subject to which I could refer; she was not aware of one. I will prepare such a report if you concur. Please advise me.

6. Committee Meeting

See Agenda. I would suggest that I invite Tony Rachal and that we discuss the issue of WTI's parking ban; we might also wish to invite persons from the Municipal Planning Office to brief the Committee on D.C. Government's current action. We could invite Polly Shackleton since it is her ward involved. Comment? We should also plan our strategies re: the July 2-3 hearing. (it, indeed, is directly based on the Council's Act 1-13, introduced by Doug Moore)

cost energy used 72-73
" " " 74-75
Types of fuel - amt of each
etc.

Draft letter & lets discuss — not urgent

OK

See if you can get an existing format of what they think is a "good" report & follow - make it easy on yourself.

good ideas

discuss with Julius

DRAFT

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, RECREATION AND YOUTH AFFAIRS

Thirteenth Regular Meeting
19 June 1975
10:30 a.m.
Room 503

AGENDA

I. Quorum Call

II. Public Hearing - July 2 and 3, 1975
Discussion

III. ~~Parking Ban - WTI~~

IV. Reprogramming Request - WTI

But - we might leave material on this section not enclosed in plastic so I can write notes + comments directly on material. Would like you + Sandy to have lunch with me this week - why don't you bring these papers along + we can discuss.

MAJOR ISSUES 6 June 1975

1. FY 1976 Budget

Our report (see attached) called for the restoration of funds to the agencies under our purview, in concert with the Mayor's veto of the Council's budget cuts. The Chairman, Mr. Barry, and Rev. D. Moore have all proposed various positions relative to the restoration of funds; their proposals would provide a significantly lower level of restoration than we propose. I anticipate that a compromise position will be developed which is still significantly lower than our proposal; the final discussion should be at the Committee of the Whole session on Monday. The Budget Committee met today, Friday, June 6; the general sentiment is for some restorations to be made overall, although the budget is still generally austere. (See attached reports from the Chiarman and Budget Committee)

2. Public Hearing re Board of Education

what act ?

The Board of Education, etc. hearing, as mandated by Act of the Council, has been scheduled for July 2 and 3, 1975. Notices have been sent to the printers. When they return, they will be sent to the Council mailing list; staff will also make sure that civic and citizen organizations, PTAs, and so forth are adequately informed.

- should send notice with letter from Julius stating true purpose of holding the

3. Equalization and Title I Comparability

The Committees on Educational Programs (Ms. Hilda Mason, Chair) and Federal Grants (Ms. Elizabeth Kane, Chair) of the Board of Education have scheduled a hearing on equalization and title I comparability requirements for this Saturday, June 7, 1975 at 10:00 a.m. I plan to attend. I will make a specific suggestion as to how we should proceed on our hearings on the same topics, after the Board's hearings are completed.

good! Let's discuss.

4. University of the District of Columbia

An emergency bill is expected to be intorduced by Councilmember Spaulding to change the effective dates of the university bill, PL 93-471, to ensure that Council has significant input into the legislation establishing the university. This will be an important bill; otherwise, the congressional act will establish the university format by default, especially if Cong. Diggs is able to influence other on the Hill. This would establish a format which is extremely pro-vocational training...

Pat - would also like you to research the NYC approach of not giving tenure to school administrators - Julius might like to introduce legislation.

5. Legislation for the Election of the Superintendent

Councilmember Coates intorduced a bill on June 3, which was referred to this Committee, to permit the election of the Superintendent of Schools. I plan no action on this bill in the near future; I do plan at some time to find out what jurisdictions do elect superintendents. (I understand that this happens in a number of Florida and North Carolina districts; the state superintendent of California is an elected official.)

much different!

6. Investigations

I am in the process of contacting associations and organizations to find out about model legislation and youth programs in other states. Because he was out of town, I did not talk with George Washniss until late last week when he finally returned my calls; he is sending me some information and leads for contacting other knowledgeable persons. I have not yet contacted the Telepohone Company; I plan to do so this coming week.

never count on people returning your calls unless you make over $30,000 per year and are a GS 16 or above!

7. Staff Vacation Schedule

Lou is currently on vacation; he will return on Monday or Tuesday. If you have any objections with my taking such an extended period off, please let me know; i plan to leave the country and need to finalize my plans relatively soon. I may actually not need the entire month off, so don't hesitate to complain. (See listing in miscellaneous section) Also Lorraine is anxious to have some feedback about the whole process.

I gave schedule to Lorraine, Leave, the entitlement for Julius, is approved if it does not include LWOP.

especially when you want something from them!

8. Energy Conservation - I want to discuss with you some letters we want to write re energy conservation in the public schools

Council of the District of Columbia

Notice of Public Hearing

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PUBLIC HEARING ON THE STATUS OF
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND
THE ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION
OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Wednesday, July 2, 1975
Thursday, July 3, 1975

10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.
Council Chamber

Councilmember Julius W. Hobson, Chairperson of the Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs, will hold a public hearing to receive testimony pursuant to Act 1-13, "Rational Administration of the Public Schools Act," enacted by the Council of the District of Columbia on May 6, 1975, by which

> the Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs is authorized and directed to receive testimony concerning the enactment of legislation, pursuant to section 602(c) of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act to alter the independent status of the District of Columbia Board of Education and to effect certain changes in the organization and administration of the public schools in the District of Columbia.

These hearings have been scheduled for 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on July 2, 1975 and July 3, 1975, in the Council Chamber, Room 500 of the District Building. Persons wishing to testify should call Ms. Alice Blue at 638-2223 before 5:00 p.m. on June 30, 1975. Written statements for the record are encouraged and may be sent to Mr. Robert Williams, Secretary to the Council, Room 509, District Building, 14th and E Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004. The public record will close on July 7, 1975; all statements and materials for the record should be submitted prior to that date.

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Council of the District of Columbia
Memorandum

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To COUNCILMEMBER DOUGLAS MOORE, CHAIRMAN, BUDGET COMMITTEE

From Julius W. Hobson, Chairperson, Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs Committee

Date June 6, 1975

Subject Recommendations re Mayor's vetoes of the Council action on the Budget

What did the committee recommend in the first place?

The Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs has reviewed the impact analysis statements transmitted by the Mayor in conjunction with his veto of certain Council actions regarding the FY 1976 budget. The Committee's findings concur with the Mayor's conclusions that the Council's budget cuts impact heavily on the D.C. Public Schools, the institutions of higher education, and the Department of Recreation. The Committee feels that the Mayor's restoration of funds respresents a responsible action after a critical assessment of the potential impact of the Council's actions. The cutback in services through the agencies under this Committee's purview would be drastic. The Committee's stated position is reaffirmed that education is the most far reaching service provided to the citizenry; a hasty reduction of funds for such services will have major ramifications. The capacity of these agencies to maintain merely the status quo with such severe funding limitations is a grave question.

Ain't we being a bit of a "rubber stamp" to a very mismanaged system?

Accordingly, the Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs recommends the restoration of the full amount recommended by the Mayor to the D.C. Public Schools, D.C. Teachers College, Federal City College, Washington Technical Institute, and the Department of Recreation.

I'm not convinced — why should Teachers be different than other gov't. employees?

The $11.1 million reduction to the D.C. Public Schools' budget is untenable. While there are major problems in the public educational system, none of them can be adequately addressed with such a reduction. Because all teachers' within-grade raises are granted at the beginning of each school year, rather than staggered throughout the fiscal year, within-grade payments for teachers differ significantly from those for other classified employees. The Committee has been convinced that their approach to the determination of the funding level for within-grade payments is valid and, further, that the need for funding is critical. To reduce electricity, supplies, equipment, other pay, and so forth for the schools is untenable; the utilization of such funds for substitute teachers, classroom supplies, and building operations constitutes an integral part of their operation. It should be reiterated that the physical condition of school buildings requires adequate funding for repair and maintenance.

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The within-grade increases for the institutions of higher education are a necessity if the colleges and Washington Technical Institute are to compete successfully with other like institutions, both public and private, for faculty. Unlike General Schedule and other classified personnel, no within-grade raises are automatically provided to faculty in the Washington Technical Institute or the colleges. If these institutions are required to attempt to absorb pay increases, it would result either in no pay increases for faculty in FY 1976 or directly in the non-renewal of faculty contracts. Furthermore, with the ascendancy of the proposed University of the District of Columbia, it is incumbent that the Council adequately fund the existant institutions.

The impact of the Council cuts on the Department of Recreation is devastating. The department has sustained reductions in excess of $1 million in the past two years. The department currently suffers a lapse rate of over 30%! Further reductions will probably close recreation centers to the public in evening hours; the swimming pool program will be severely curtailed, including the distinct possibility of not opening some swimming pools at all.

The Committee recommends a partial restoration to the Office of Youth Opportunity Services, because of the matching requirement of a federal grant. The Committee has been informed that approximately 34 persons would be terminated without these funds, and that the grant requirement for 25% matching necessitates a restoration of some funds in order to secure the full $1.4 million funding of the grant.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR RESTORATIONS:

Agency	Within-grades	Across-the-Board	Total Restoration
D.C.Public Schools	2500.0	3513.0	6013.0
D.C. Teachers College	101.1	214.2	315.3
Federal City College	595.1	760.8	1355.9
Washington Technical Institute	204.7	436.0	640.7
Department of Recreation	n.a.	1473.0	1473.0
Office of Youth Opportunity Services	n.a.	326.3	326.3
Total	3400.9	6723.3	10124.2

Committee Directives

The Mayor's disapproval of Sec 3(c) of the General Provisions of the Appropriations Act nullifies any specific directives included in the reports from the substantive committees. The Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs reaffirms its intent to have the following directives addressed by the Executive.

What now happens to these recommendations?

Student Evaluation It is recommended that the Board of Education examine its policies on evaluation and begin implementation in FY 1976 of comprehensive student evaluation of grades 1-12.

Accountability The Committee is committed to the concept of accountability and democratic process in public institutions. It is incumbent upon the Board of Education to provide a regular channel for community involvement; schools cannot function in isolation from the community which they serve. As the agents of the citizenry for educating its children, it is requisite that educational institutions become open and accountable.

Sharing Space The Committee is concerned that adequate coordination is not being performed between the D.C. Public Schools and other governmental agencies. The development of space requirements for public facilities such as school buildings should not be performed in a vacuum. The Schools are commended for their recent cooperative effort with the Public Library for sharing facilities at the Garnet Wilkinson School/Library. Further exploration of such shared utilization of facilities is strongly recommended. The Committee will be reviewing future capital requests with a strong interest in receiving documentation of significant efforts in this area.

Street Academy The Committee requests that the Board of Education meet with the Office of Youth Opportunity Services specifically to investigate fully and provide a report to this Committee concerning the transfer of the D.C. Street Academy and all associated funding to the D.C. Public Schools. The Committee requests this report no later than September 1, 1975.

When last year request this? Would like to discuss.

Education/Recreation The Committee recommends that the Department of Recreation meet regularly with the D.C. Public Schools to provide increased meshing of services, better planning for facilities use, and review problems which may emerge in their cooperative efforts.

The Committee directs that the Office of Youth Opportunity Services meet with the Board of Education specifically to provide for their full investigation and provide a report to this Committee concerning the transfer of the D.C. Street Academy and its $225,000 allocation to the D.C. Public Schools. The Committee requests this report no later than September 1, 1975.

The Committee directs that the Office of Youth Opportunity Services meet with the Department of Human Resources specifically to provide for their full investigation and provide a report to this Committee concerning the transfer of the 24-Hour Youth Assistance Centers and its $450,000 allocation to the Department of Human Resources. The Committee requests this report no later than September 1, 1975.

The Committee is concerned that there appears to be duplication of services, fragmentation, and overlapping in recreational Youth Programs. The Committee directs that the Office of Youth Opportunity Services meet with the Department of Recreation to explore more imaginative utilization of the Recreation Support Program, especially in terms of a greater degree of control of grant funds by that department. The Committee further directs the Mayor to designate the Department of Recreation as the State agency charged with operation of this program; under the Executive's auspices, the Office of Youth Opportunity Services must provide a report on this issue no later than September 1, 1975.

The Committee directs that the Office of Youth Opportunity Services meet with the Department of Recreation specifically to develop a report on the transfer of the Youth Conservation Corps grant to the Department of Recreation. Since this department is charged with the oversight of the parks, this program might more appropriately be assigned there. The Committee requests a report on this matter no later than September 1, 1975.

The Committee directs that the Office of Youth Opportunity Services meet with the Department of Manpower to investigate fully the utilization of all federal Department of Labor grants such as the Comprehensive Employment and Training Program, Program for Economically Disadvantaged Youth and Summer Employment (transportation), which are currently assigned to the Office of Youth Opportunity Services. This Committee requests a comprehensive report no later than September 1, 1975 to consider transfer of such grants to the Department of Manpower.

The Committee requests a full report on the Community Action Program and involvement of the Office of Youth Opportunity Services with the D.C. Public Schools in its operation no later than September 1, 1975.

The Committee recommends that all Neighborhood Planning Council funds be equitably apportioned to the 20 Councils. The Committee requires a detailed report on the allocation of all funds, from all sources, to each Council, for FY 1974, FY 1975, and FY 1976, no later than September 1, 1975. This report should provide detailed analysis of the FY 1976 apportionment between the Neighborhood Planning Councils.

Council of the District of Columbia
Memorandum

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To Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs

From Committee Staff

Date 18 June 1975

Subject Regular Committee Meeting

As you probably recall, the regular meeting of the Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs is scheduled for June 19, 1975 at 10:30 a.m. in Room 503. A copy of the agenda is attached for your information

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Attachment

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, RECREATION AND YOUTH AFFAIRS

Thirteenth Regular Meeting
19 June 1975
10:30 a.m.
Room 503

AGENDA

I. Quorum Call

II. Public Hearing - July 2 and 3, 1975

III. Reprogramming Request - WTI

IV. New Business

Major Issues May 30, 1975

1. Legislation forthe Election of the Superintendent of D. C. Public Schools

Councilmember Coates is introducing a bill on Tuesday, June 3 to permit the election of the Superintendent of Schools. (see attached memorandum) This bill will probably be referred to this Committee or jointly referred to this Committee and Government Operations.

2. Public Hearings

Attached is the draft notice for our hearing on the Board of Education's status. I have checked with the Secretary's Office; there are several dates available, which I have tentatively reserved: June 21 and June 28 or July 2 and July 3. All other dates are booked up until very late in July. I will get out the notice Monday, after a determination is made about the date.

MAJOR ISSUES

1. FY 1976 Budget

Staff will be attending sessions with the Mayor's Management and Budget Office, coordinated by the Budget Committee. This will aid us in analyzing the full impact of the budget cut on our specific agencies. We are investigating a $10 million cut, precipitated by the Mayor and Council's combined actions, on D.C. Public Schools. Ed Webb informed me unofficially and confidentially that he is currently investigating the legality of the Council's and Mayor's budgetary actions, given the provision in the Charter which does not provide for line-item scrutiny.

The cuts sustained by D.C. Public Schools reduce their base budget, in some categories, below the FY 1975 level. Recreation Department is particularly hard hit. Based on discussions with other Council Staff, we are really unable to greatly rectify the overall budget cuts; because of the legal question involved, we might be able to assist the public schools (although the schools will probably have to sustain some cut). We will have specific recommendations this week.

In the FY 1976 Capital Budget, we approved $250,000 for the site expansion and development of Terrell Jr. High. We have received a revised scope of work which states that only a very minor portion of the work can be performed. I will draft a letter about this.

2. Postponement of Public Hearing scheduled for 5/23/75

A postponement notice was distributed to the press; several major radio stations and television stations were also contacted. All persons who signed up were called and informed about the cancellation, with the exception of 10 persons listed in a bloc, for whom we reached one contact person. Subsequently, we sent follow-up notices to all persons whom we had contacted by phone.

5/24/75

Major Issues

May 16, 1975

1. Committee Meetings

It was agreed that the Committee would begin to meet on a monthly basis, on the third Thursday of each month. Our next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 19, 1975 at 10:30 a.m.; this does not preclude calling special meetings at any time. A detailed agenda of the June 19th meeting will be developed in sufficient time to be publicly disseminated.

OK

2. Legislative Package - D.C. Public Schools

Staff has consulted with Judy Rogers, Special Assistant for Legislation, in the Mayor's Office. She will be providing us with feedback, shortly, on the four bills still on the Council's calendar, assigned to this committee.

OK

3. Public Hearings - Friday, May 23, 1975

(see attached notice)

I question the wisdom of this type of [illegible] hearing.

Staff is prepared to invite any particular groups/organizations you designate. Mr. Spaulding has requested that we invite Virginia Morris and inquire about the process used for Ms. Sizemore's evaluation; I think that is inconsistent with our stated purpose and indicated that opinion to him. So far, we anticipate that a significant number of witnesses will sign up next week. The Council Chamber is reserved in case we need additional time on Saturday, May 24, 1975.

I have drafted a letter for your signature requesting assistance from the Public Services Unit in coordinating the technical aspect of the hearing. This unit has helped other committees with hearings and alleviates workload on committees' staff. A written opening statement will be prepared for your review on Wednesday or Thursday morning.

4. FY 1976 Budget

The Mayor has vetoed portions of the Council's actions on the budget, reinstating operating funds to some agencies in our Committee's jurisdiction: D.C. Public Schools, D.C. Teachers' College, Federal City College, Washington Technical Institute, Office of Youth Opportunity Services. He further restored capital outlay funds denied by the Budget Committee for Perry-Simmons Replacement (school), and funds for Dakota Playground denied by this Committee.

The major objection which I have to the Mayor's response is that he repealed Section 3 (c) which incorporated by reference Council Committee reports on the budget. He cites some problem of internal inconsistencies of the committee reports with subsequent Budget Committee, and Committee of the Whole actions. Therefore, he feels that considerable confusion arises with respect to the directives in the report. see p. 29, attachment II. This in effect denies Committee perogatives to comment on policy and some other matters, and, especially our Committee's report of the Office of Youth Opportunity Services.

What do you recommend Julius do about it? Pls dictate reply.

Council of the District of Columbia

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to by phone.

Thanks

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Notice of Public Hearing

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HEARINGS ON THE ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Friday, May 23, 1975

10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.
Council Chambers

Councilmember Julius W. Hobson, Chairman of the Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs, pursuant to Act 1-13, will hold a series of public hearings to receive testimony "concerning the enactment of legislation, pursuant to section 602(c) of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act to alter the independent status of the District of Columbia Board of Education and to effect certain changes in the organization and administration of the public schools in the District of Columbia".

The Committee is requesting public testimony to identify issues to be explored in later hearings, through expert responses to specific issues designated by the Committee. Such expert testimony will form the basis for the development of a legislative program designed to facilitate the optimal operation of the public school system and to assure quality education for all students. Hearings on specific issues, identified in this preliminary hearing, will be scheduled at a later date.

In this preliminary hearing, public witnesses are asked to address one or more of the following issues: (1) existing laws, regulations, or procedures which impact on the efficiency of the management/administration fiscal/process of the public schools, such as fiscal management/accounting systems, school-level budgeting, and management information

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systems; (2) problems which inhibit the academic achievement of students, such as administrative procedures for handling truancy, lack of discipline, and insufficient community participation; (3) lack of clarity of the roles of the Superintendent, Mayor, Board of Education and Council of the District of Columbia; or (4) any other pertinent issues which citizens feel the Committee should consider. Mr. Hobson requests that, in considering these issues, statements be restricted to assessments of current problems and the potential impact which any legislative proposals will have on the District of Columbia's public educational system.

These hearings have been scheduled for 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on May 23 and May 24, 1975, in the Council Chamber, Room 500 of the District Building. Persons wishing to testify should call Ms. Alice Blue at 638-2223 before 5:00 p.m. on May 22, 1975. Written statements for the record are encouraged and may be sent to Mr. Robert Williams, Secretary to the Council, Room 509, District Building, 14th and E Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004.

Is it a my confusing hearing announcement I assume it is a hearing to determine a hearing? You are opening the window - ask phrase should be used as the basis for a hearing. In a way you are determining the what! Hearings are usually held ① for factual basis and ② to give information to body charged to make decision. This hearing may be a complete waste of time & public energy. Also - does it comply with the More - please - petition - what requested it to be held. Hearings on what happened Board?

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Memorandum

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To Members of the Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs Committee

From Julius W. Hobson, Chairman

Date May 15, 1975

Subject Time of the regular committee meetings

I attempted to call a meeting of the Committee on May 15th but was unable to get a quorum. I, therefore, am proposing that this memorandum serve as a notice that the Committee will meet regularly once a month rather than as it meets every week at the present time.

I would appreciate your concurrence in this matter by signing below.

The next regular meeting will be on Thursday, June 19th at 10:30 a.m.

cc: Mr. Tucker, Chairman of the Council
Mr. Williams, Secretary of the Council
All Council Members

Major Issues May 9, 1975

1. Committee Rules

Resolution 1-73, which was adopted by the Council on May 6, 1975, clarified the Rules of the Council that are applicable to Committees of the Council. Staff will arrange to have applicable sections compiled and disseminated to Committee members. I will check with Ed Webb whether or not we must officially vote to substitute these new rules for our previously adopted rules. A motion should be made at the next meeting that the Committee meet monthly, on the second Thursday of each month at 10:30 a.m. in Room 503. These two items should hopefully complete all necessary actions on Committee Rules and assure their acceptability to the Office of the Counsel.

2. Equalization and Comparability - DCPS

Because of the recent disruptions of their meetings, the Board of Education has postponed its hearings on Equalization and Title I Comparability. They do plan to reschedule. (see attached memo)

3. Board of Education - Sizemore Controversy
(see attached memorandum)

As outlined in the memorandum, because of your stated concerns to hold the hearings as soon as possible, I would suggest that we schedule hearings for the ~~evenings of May 19 and 21,~~ and all day May 23 (pending release of that date by Government Operations Committee). While we could broaden the scope of the hearings, as outlined in my memorandum, we will probably be somewhat controlled by the community in terms of what areas are actually discussed, since it will be a public hearing, if we hold it so quickly.

Council policy has dictated that fifteen (15) days be allowed for public notice. I have been informed that Chairman Tucker would prefer a later date in order to diffuse the current volatile situation. It should be decided as soon as possible how we shall proceed. To summarize: (1) early hearings may help with the aroused public sentiments and interests-or-serve as a public platform to continue the Board-Sizemore controversy (it could be argued that because of the emergency resolution, that this is our mandate;) or, (2) later hearing (e.g. July) may well serve as a forum to significantly address issues and allow for greater participation of expert witnesses.

4. Regular Committee Meetings

The Committee needs to vote in a regularly scheduled meeting to change the present schedule of meeting every week to a schedule of having regular meetings once a month. This can be taken care of at the meeting scheduled for this Thursday, May 15th.

5. Legislative Package D.C. Public Schools

Of the six bills introduced by Sterling Tucker at the request of the D.C. Board of Education, the committee has acted on two thus far. Bill 1-49 which will abolish mandatory cadet corps enrollment has been passed on first reading and is up for second reading this Tuesday. No changes needed or expected. Bill 1-54 which repeals obsolete legislation on Board of Education power to accredit (license) junior colleges was adopted in first reading and will be up for second reading this week. There is a technical amendment which Julius should offer on Tuesday prior to second reading (see text attached). This amendment probably is not necessary but the Corporation Counsel wants to be extra careful about leaving a gap in the authority (see attached letter from Judy Rogers). We have been advised that this amendment will not be considered a substantial amendment and thus can be handled simply by having a member read it into bill.

The Corporation Counsel is currently reviewing the other four (4) bills and is going to comment. We expect that they will have substantial changes in the child labor act and at least minor changes in the other three (3) bills. We will simply wait for them to get their material to the committee before going any further.

6. Educational Concept Paper - Rhody McCoy
(see attachment)

I think this paper presents interesting, albeit radical, ideas about restructuring public education. We could address the issue of a major study to address the needs of contemporary education, as well as future educational needs of this community. We could conceivably use this as a vehicle for transcending the current public educational crisis with a call for a new direction; this concept has exciting educational and political implications. I would suggest that we explore this concept with Dr. McCoy as soon as possible.

7. The Budget Committee's mark-up of the FY 76 Budget, which outlines drastic across-the-board cuts in all agencies, was unofficially transmitted to the Mayor for his guidance in establishing agency budget levels. He has passed on substantial cuts to the public schools, Recreation Department and the colleges. We should anticipate lobbying and appeals to fight for higher budget levels for these agencies. We should receive the budget back from the Mayor sometime this week (e.g. May 14th or 15th). We should discuss the impact of his cuts to our agencies in our meeting Thursday.

A BILL

Bill No. 1-49

In the Council of the District of Columbia

March 18, 1975

Councilmember Tucker introduced the following bill which was referred to the Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs

To repeal the law requiring every male high school student to participate in the cadet corps of the senior high scools in the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Council of the District of Columbia,

That this act may be cited as the "Cadet Corps Termination Act".

Sec. 2. The ninth paragraph under the subheading "Miscellaneous" of the heading relating to "Public Schools" of section 1 of the Act of March 2, 1907, (making appropriations for the District of Columbia) (D.C. Code, sec. 31-1103), relating to service in the high school cadets, is repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall be effective at the end of the thirty day period provided for Congressional review of acts of the Council of the District of Columbia in section 602(c) of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act.

Good Report

Council of the District of Columbia
Report

City Hall, 14th and E Streets, N.W. Fifth Floor 638-2223 or Government Code 137-3806

To Julius W. Hobson, Chairman, Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs

From Patricia Miner, Committee Clerk

Date 9 May 1975

Subject Scope of Public Hearings

In Section 3 of the "Rational Administration of the Public Schools Act", Act 1-13, the Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs has been

> "authorized and directed to receive testimony concerning the enactment of legislation, pursuant to section 602(c) of the District of Columbia Self-government and Governmental Reorganization Act to alter the independent status of the District of Columbia Board of Education and to effect certain changes in the organization and administration of the public schools in the District of Columbia."

It is my opinion that our efforts should focus on the latter portion of that section, "effect certain changes in the organization and administration of the public schools in the District of Columbia." This affords us an opportunity to examine the substantial management/organizational problems which hamper the public school's effective operations. As a former employee of that system, I must concur with comments that structural changes are necessary to effectively serve the needs of the children enrolled in the public school system.

To begin with, I recommend that we focus on the entire management/fiscal process; it should be noted that the "Public Schools Emergency Resolution", Resolution 1-76, cited the fiscal situation as the first issue to support the need for emergency action. Witnesses should be requested to testify on potential alterations of existing laws, regulations/procedures or policies which inhibit the flexibility and efficiency of the management process. This would include such areas as management information systems, data analysis capabilities, personnel system, fiscal

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management/accounting systems, school-level budgeting. Examination of such issues in a structured public forum would theoretically address the impact of management problems on the teaching, learning process, e.g. lack of supplies, lack of accurate student data. Our focusing on these substantial problems would serve to clarify what legislative actions would support administrative accountability to the citizenry.

A second area of focus should be the fourth item cited in the emergency resolution, the academic achievement of students. Public testimony should be solicited to focus on problems which require either legislative or fiscal support, especially truancy, discipline and insufficient community involvement. This would also serve as the appropriate arena to examine the critical need for a comprehensive evaluation system.

The third major area for public testimony would be an examination of the interrelationships of Superintendent, Board, and Mayor and Council. It is critical, I feel, for clarification of the complicated legal/policy questions concerning perogatives of each body and executive officer. While the Board of Education is an elected body, perhaps it should issue the annual report of the Superintendent to the Mayor, Council, and Citizenry. We should investigate how other jurisdictions' elected Boards interface with elected Councils, and how other jurisdictions' Superintendents interface with the executive branch of government. There may, indeed, be a need for clarifying legislation to delineate roles, peragotives, and so forth.

In addition to public witnesses, I feel we should involve the academic community as expert witnesses; invitations should be extended to the area public and private Schools of Education and Schools of Public Administration to provide pertinent testimony. Contact should be made by staff with national and area educational organizations to assure that a wide variety of opinion is elicited. Management experts should be identified and requested for assistance; perhaps PEPCO could be invited at this time to comment on the New Jersey situation in which the local telephone company revamped the computer management system of local school systems, and further encouraged to assist in this area for the D.C. Public Schools.

A committee conference should be scheduled with personnel directors, accounting directors, and so forth of both D.C. government and the school system. Perhaps the Government Operations Committee could be invited to issue a joint report in regard to the management issues.

I would suggest that hearings be scheduled on several evenings for public witnesses, and afternoon sessions for expert witnesses. As of May 9, 1975, the following dates, for use of the Council Chamber, according to the Office of the Secretary, are available:

~~Monday, May 19 (7:30 P.M. on)~~
~~Wednesday, May 21 (7:30 P.M. on)~~
Friday, May 23, (all day potentially available from gov't operations)
Saturday, May 24 (all day)
Saturday, May 31 (all day)
Tuesday, June 3 (2:00 P.M. on)
Monday, June 16 (2:00 P.M. on)
Tuesday, June 24 (2:00 P.M. on)
Monday, June 30 (2:00 P.M. on)
Tuesday, July 1 (2:00 P.M. on)
Monday , July 7 (2:00 P.M. on)
Tuesday, July 8 (2:00 P.M. on)
Monday , July 14 (2:00 P.M. on)
Friday, July 18 (all day)

I have received a copy of a memo to you from Doug Moore in which he suggests hearings in each Ward. I have no particular suggestions in that regard. We may wish to have one major hearing in the Council Chamber and several evening meetings, either in each ward, or in each geographical division of the city--as an alternative to all meetings being held in the District Building.

I would suggest that we schedule hearings for the week of May 19th, with evening sessions on May 19&21, and all day May 23 & 24. While this affords less than one week for public notice, it may be possible because of the news media to accomplish wide public coverage.

Attachment: Resolution 1-76
Act 1-13

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To Julius W. Hobson, Chairman, Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs

From Rev. Douglas E. Moore, Chairman, Committee on the Budget

Date May 8, 1975

Subject Public Hearings on School Emergency

I recommend to the Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs that, to insure convenience and broad input by the citizenry, the public hearings on the school emergency be held in each of the wards. These hearings should be held at an evening hour, since many concerned citizens work during the day. The Committee might consider as sites well known schools in the wards.

cc: Willie Hardy
William Spaulding

Amendment to Bill 1-54

line 6 strike the period after repeal and add the following

; Provided, That any accreditation of a junior college heretofore conferred by the Board of Education and still in force shall be continued in force for five years from the date of enactment of this act, or until such junior college is otherwise accredited, whichever is earlier.

A BILL

Bill No. 1-54

In the Council of the District of Columbia

March 18, 1975

Councilmember Tucker introduced the following bill which was referred to the Committee on Education, Recreation & Youth Affairs

To repeal the law in the District of Columbia authorizing the District of Columbia Board of Education to accredit junior colleges operating in the within the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Council of the District of Columbia,

That this act may be cited as the "Junior College Accreditation Amendment Act".

Sec. 2. The Act entitled "An Act to enlarge and extend the power and jurisdiction of the Board of Education over degree-conferring institutions operating within the District of Columbia", approved July 2, 1940 (D.C. Code, sec. 31-120) is repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall be effective at the end of the thirty day period provided for Congressional review of acts of the Council of the District of Columbia in section 602(c) of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act.

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May 1967

Memorandum • Government of the District of Columbia

TO: Honorable Julius Hobson
Chairman, Committee on
Education, Recreation & Youth Affairs
D.C. Council

Department, Agency, Office: Office of the Mayor

FROM: Judy Rogers JR
Special Assistant for Legislation

Date: 2 MAY 1975

SUBJECT: Bills 1-54 and 1-49.

On April 25, 1975 William Robinson, Chief Legislation and Opinions Division, Office of the Corporation Counsel, and I met with Lou Aronica of the Committee staff to discuss certain bills introduced at the request of the Board of Education. This memorandum is to advise you of our specific comments:

Bill 1-54: We recommended the Committee consider the desirability of including a protective, procedural amendment to provide that an existing accreditation, which is in fact a license, remain in force for five years from the date of enactment of the bill. Such a protective provision will place junior colleges accredited by the Board of Education on a par with those non licensed by the Board of Higher Education. Bill 1-54 should be amended as follows:

> Delete the period in line 6 at the end of section 2 and insert in lieu thereof the following": Provided, that any accreditation of a junior college heretofore conferred by the Board of Education and still in force shall be continued in force for five years from the date of enactment of this section, or until such junior college is otherwise accredited, whichever is earlier."

Bill 1-49: The Committee may wish to consider the desirability of a bill which would make participation in the cadet corps voluntary but retain the program. Bill 1-49 will abolish the cadet corps program completely. Alternative language which would retain the

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Julius Hobson, Sr.
Councilmember-At-Large

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program but make participation in it voluntary is as follows:

Delete section 2 in lines 2 through 6 and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Sec. 2. The ninth paragraph under the subheading "Miscellaneous" of the heading relating to "Public Schools" of section 1 of the Act entitled "An Act making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eight, and for other purposes", approved March 2, 1907 (D.C. Code, sec. 31-1103) is amended to read as follows:

"The Board of Education is authorized and directed to establish and to include in the curricula of the senior high schools of the District of Columbia, as an elective course, a program in military science, which shall include a cadet corps. The course shall be available to any student enrolled in the high schools who is not found by the Board to be physically disqualified to participate in such a program. The same credit toward graduation shall be given for said course as is given for other elective courses in the high schools."

Major Issues - April 5, 1975

FY 1976 Budget Process

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N.B. D.C. Deputies 4/1 Cuban N.E.T. 4/12

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Legislative Package - DCPS

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Committee Rules

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Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs

Regular Meeting
Thursday, April 10, 1975

AGENDA

I Report on Position Aprroval for District of Columbia Public Schools.

II Report on Reprogrammings - Capital Improvements
- A. Dunbar Demolition
- B. Parkview Playground
- C. Center for the Mentally Retarded and Handic apped

III Discussion/Briefing on Equalization/Comparability Hearing - April 16 & 17

IV New Business

Good Summary

Major Issues - April 25, 1975

already scheduled for May 1?

1. Regular Committee Meeting

Staff suggests that no committee meeting be scheduled until May 7, 1975, at which time several more of the bills for the Board of Education will be reported out and Committee Rules can be adopted.

2. Committee Rules

Staff has met with Alan Winter of the Counsel's staff and with Ed Webb to discuss changes necessary to bring our Committee Rules in concert with requirements. It has been suggested that committee s utilize Committee of The Whole Rules as a guide. I am drafting new rules and will have a complete draft available late next week for your review. As you recall, we propose to schedule meetings on a monthly basis.

3. Legislative Package - DCPS

Two bills 1-54, Junior College Accreditation Amendment Act, and 1-49, Cadet Corps Termination Act, have been reported out by the committee, as you know, and will be presented at Committee of The Whole and the Legislative Session for first reading (see attached). These are minor acts designed to correct legislative problems which have been overlooked through the years: (1) The mandatory Cadet Program has been discontinued for several years; and (2) The accreditation of colleges is performed by Middle States Association.

The amend ments to the Child Labor Law require extensive review. The remainder of the proposed legislative actions are relatively minor, although several have tangential issues which we are exploring.

4. Equalization and Comparability DCPS

The Board of Education has scheduled its hearings for May 6, and 10, 1975. Staff will be in attendance. What is status of report on your hearing?

5. Committee Staffing

While this may be somewhat premature, at some time soon, the Committee must find out what the proposed Council budget's impact is on our staff structure. The Council budget calls for some realignment of positions and increases to Committee regularly-appropriated staff. Under the Council's proposed budget for FY 1976, the Committee will receive an additional GS-11 and GS-7. We also need to verify that we retain the

two CETA-funded positions currently assigned to the Committee.

The Committee is also interested in exploring the services of interns from area universities to perform studies of the Child Labor Law, the equalization issue, and other issues which may emerge.

6. Higher Education

Staff has been attending meetings of the Committee on the reorganization of Higher Education, at Mr. Spaulding's request.

Dr. Rhody McCoy and several others from FCC are quite concerned about the proposed university bill. I have been doing some minor field work to find out about such legislation and similar programs in other states.

While the Committee is not charged with the purview of the reorganization of the existing higher education institutions, it is critical, I feel, to be up to date at all times on the colleges' activities and the reorganization process and its progress; I do not have a recommendation on this matter at this time.

you don't draft - you request Executive Branch to draft + secure model legislation from league of cities, Council of Mayors, etc. Lets discuss

7. Office of Youth Opportunity Services

The Budget report of this Committee on the Office of Youth Opportunity Services, called for several studies by that department in conjunction with other agencies (DHR, DCPS, Rec. Dept., Manpower Department) to report back to this committee, no later than June 1, 1975, on the possible transfer of grant funds and regularly funded projects to those agencies, which are more appropriate operationally. The Committee, as a follow-up of its budgetary action, must also study the area of drafting a reorganization act for this department; general Council sentiment seems to be strongly in the direction of abolishing this department, or, at a minimum, substantially reducing its operations and redirecting it toward original charge: planning for juvenile delinquency prevention. The Committee has an implicit charge to further continue the steps initiated through the budget process. Staff will be keeping you fully informed. please call me on this Pat - my work # 254-9655

8. Workload

If the Mayor vetoes the Council's budget package, staff will be required to concentrate on budget process. I do not know yet what will occur.

We are still working on smoothing out our procedures for dealing with community issues, problems, etc. The phone logs are not reflecting the full scope of either our phone calls, or the walk in types of problems we have to address daily.

Why not ?

While I feel that staff should be open to public inquiry, available to significant community requests, and as flexible as humanly possible, we must be sure that time is not frittered away rehashing issues, and on issues of little substance and personally addressing concerns that might more effectively be handled through the method which we have established for examing problems (referral directly to agency for response). I will do all that I can to ensure that we all work as efficiently as possible.

We would like copies of written (& walk-in) requests <u>not</u> referred directly to agency for response.

3/29/75
file

MAJOR ISSUES

1. FY 1976 Budget Process

The Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs report/mark-up*was due to the Budget Committee on Saturday, March 29, 1975 at 9:00 am. Obviously, we have not complied with this deadline; Budget Committee staff is aware that we will be turning in the report early next week. The report on the recreation department, public libraries, and youth opportunity services is due Tuesday, April 1, 1975 at 9:00 am. We anticipate that the draft of the first report will be completed late monday afternoon (we are awaiting also a detailing of the Waddy decree requirments and history of Board of Education policies on evaluation from the school administration sometime Monday); after review by Mr. Hobson, committe members should receive the report for review and concurrence prior to submission to the budget committee. There is the possiblity that some member may want to submit a minority report. We should schedule a committee meeting for Monday afternoon, to consider first report.

The Budget Committee has scheduled its review of our Public Schools, et. al. report for Wednesday, April 2, 1975 at 3:00 pm; its review of the Recreation, et. al. will be on Thursday, April 3, 1975 at 5:00 pm/ I will get a clarification on what that process will entail.

(see attached memo to Council Members and Staff)

2. Legislative Package - DCPS

The Chairman referred several of the bills in the school system's legislative package to this committee for report. I do not plan to act on these until after April 7, 1975. The earliest time that the Council could have acted, in any case, was April 8, 1975.

3. Position Approval - DCPS

The Chairman received a request from the Mayor, dated 25 March 1975, asking for Council resolution for classifying five (5) positions under the Teachers' Salary Act. I infer that these will be referred to our Committee. If so, I will act as soon as possible so that the positions may be filled by the school system. I plan to also investigate this area to determine why Council approval is necessary for such actions, and, if suitable, suggest appropriate Committee

* on the public schools and higher education requests

action to abolish such a procedure.

4. Equalization/ Comparability Hearing

Hearing notices have gone out through regular Council channels; I am planning to send notices to other persons who may not be included on the Council mailing lists, e.g. Brookings, universities, etc. I have drafted letters to Ms. Morris and Ms. Sizemore for your approval. I would also be sending similar letters to whomever you suggest (e.g. Peter Rousselot).

The hearing is scheduled for April 16 and 17. I will advise you in greater detail as soon as the budgetary process slows down.

5. Reprogrammings

Currently the Committe has three (3) pending requests for reprogramming which require immediate report. One earlier request has been reported out and approved by the Council (Wheatley Playground). The outstanding reports are for (1) the demolition of Dunbar, (2) additional funds for the proposed Cole Recreation Center for the Physically Handicapped and Mentally Retarded, and (3) Parkview Playground. Progress is being made on all three reports; Lou is working closely with the budget committe staff on them . Rodney Coleman, in the Chairman's office, has called us repeatedly about them. They will be completed as soon as possible.

6. Committee Rules

Staff has been informally advised by the office of the Counsel that the rules adopted by the Committee do not comply with what is required. The rules which were adopted were based, verbatim, on those suggested by the Chairman. Within the nest three weeks we will explore what the specific requirements are, draft a proposal for either amendment or substitution, and submit to the Committee.

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Committee on Education, Recreation,
and Youth Affairs

Special Meeting
Monday, March 31, 1975

AGENDA

I Report on FY 1976 Budget - D.C. Public Schools, Washington Technical Institute, D.C. Teachers College, Federal City College, and Board of Higher Education.

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Committee on Education, Recreation,
And Youth Affairs

Regular Meeting
Thursday, April 3, 1975

AGENDA

I Report on FY 1976 Budget - Department of Recreation, Office of Youth Opportunity Services, and Public Library

II New Business

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March 20, 1975

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Education, Recreation, and Youth
Affairs Committee

Eighth Regular Meeting
10:30 A.M.
Conference Room 501

I Quorum Call

II Reprogramming Requests
- A. Rebid and construction of Wheatley Playground
- B. Completion of the Recreation Center for the Physically Handicapped and Mentally Retarded
- C. Demolition of Dunbar High School

III FY1976 Budget Hearings
- A. Tentative Witness List
- B. Issues to be addressed in hearings

IV New Business

3/15/75

MAJOR ISSUES

1. FY 1976 Budget

The two hearings on the FY1976 Budget for the Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs are scheduled for Saturday, March 22, 1975, and Thursday, March 27, 1975. The sessions will begin at 9:30 on each day (See attached schedule). Questions are being developed by Lou and me; we will transmit them to you for your concurrence and then to the budget committee staff for action by Comer Coppie's office.

Saturday, March 22, 1974: Agencies to be addressed in the hearings are - D.C. Public Schools, Board of Higher Education, Board of Vocational Education, D.C. Teachers College, Federal City College, and Washington Technical Institute. Public witnesses are invited for the afternoon testimony; agencies will testify in the morning session.

Thursday, March 27, 1974: Agencies to be addressed in the hearings are - Department of Recreation, Office of Youth Opportunity Services, and Public Library. We anticipate that the morning session will provide time for both government testimony and a number of the public witnesses; if necessary, we have access to Room 505 for additional public witnesses in the afternoon.

2. Staff Retreat

Materials were distributed on the Staff Retreat in the afternoon of Friday, March 14; included in the packets, are directions for a committee report. As I had discussed earlier in the week with you, we were informed that the report would be one primarily about goals and priorities. I will attempt to complete a draft report by Sunday night so that you can arrange to review it prior to our scheduled presentation at Monday's morning session.

Hopefully, we will be receiving detailed instructions concerning the budgetary process, and other issues pertaining to Council standard operations.

MAJOR ISSUES, cont.

3. Dunbar Demolition and other reprogramming requests

Lou has devoted a large amount of time to searching out the various reprogramming requests' histories and related issues. He will be provide detailed reports on all three pending requests early this coming week. As you know, he has the Wheatley Playground report completed; the Dunbar request and the Recreation Center request, similar to the Wheatley request, had long and complicated funding problems associated with them... Hopefully we will develop a framework to shorten the amount of time such reports may require.

Management

4. Fiscal / Issues - D.C. Public Schools

a. I developed a notice for public hearings on Equalization and Comparability scheduled tentatively for April 16 and 17. I anticipate that there will be a high rate of participation in these hearings by both public school personnel, and the community in general. As witnesses have called for the Budget hearings, I have advised them that we may hold hearing on the equalization issue; several of them have indicated a strong interest in that issue and several others decided to defer their testimony to that hearing(which was actually more in line with their concerns).

b. The public schools is projecting a deficit this year. I have heard several different figures as to the actual amount. There is also a move afoot that the Board of Education sue the Mayor to restore the $3.8 million which he held back from their Congressional appropriation, to pay for inflationary costs and a projected city deficit. Lou and I will attempt to ascertain the true costs involved and the status of the Board's actions.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Detailed questions and answers will be provided prior to our hearing on the FY1976 budget.

Council of the District of Columbia
Memorandum

City Hall, 14th and E Streets, N.W. Fifth Floor 638-2223 or Government Code 137-3806

To Julius W. Hobson, Chairperson, Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs Committee

From Pat Miner, Committee Staff

Date 1 March 1975

Subject Committee Operations

During the three past weeks, staff have primarily been involved in developing further documentation relative to the Committee's recommendation on the D.C. Public Schools' Supplemental Appropriation request. To this end, the Budget committee, in its meeting of 1March, 1975, overrode its staff recommendation, and allowed an additional $869,800 for the special education needs of the school system.

Additional time has been spent in interviewing candidates for the other staff position; a recommendation for filling this position is forthcoming. Staff has made itself available for a variety of outside meetings; I attended an all-day conference on 28 February, 1975, sponsored by the D.C. Citizens for Better Public Education, to discuss the draft report prepared by Joan Baratz of the Syracuse University Research Corporation on equalization and the Wright decree with respect to the D.C. Public Schools.

A portion of time has been spent on organizational details; at this point, committee staff is still developing procedures for its operation in order to function efficiently. We are examining past council documents on the budget to insure that we handle the FY1976 request both expeditiously and correctly. I forsee problems in terms of obtaining substantive data for purposes of justification; furthermore, we can anticipate problems specifically with the public schools' budget and implications of the funding patterns for the Youth Opportunity Services Office.

We have recieved several reprogramming requests from Mr. Tuckers' office and plan action on them at Thursday's committee meeting. There is a high probability of controversy surrounding the proposed demolition of Dunbar High School, which is one of the pending reprogramming requests. Committee staff will try to anticipate possible questions with regard to this issue.

cc: Lou Aronica

April 18, 1975

Major Issues

1. Legislative Package

The legislative package forwarded by The Board of Education for Council action have been preliminarily reviewed by staff. Several of the proposed bills have fiscal consequences and another has policy ramifications concerning Board of Education perogatives.

2. Position Classification - DCPS

The Committee forwarded its approval of the resolution recommending reclassification of five (5) positions referred by the Chairman. Action is scheduled for the Legislative Session on Tuesday, April 22, 1975.

3. Committee Rules

Staff will present proposed amendments for your review by Tuesday, so that they can be discussed, and possibly, acted upon at Thursday's meeting.

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COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, RECREATION AND YOUTH AFFAIRS

April 24, 1975

AGENDA

I. Committee Rules - Proposed Amendments

II. Discussion of Legislative Package

III. New Business

Council of the District of Columbia
Memorandum

City Hall, 14th and E Streets, N.W. 20004 Fifth Floor 638-2223 or Government Code 137-3806

To Ken Tatum, Budget Committee Staff

From Pat Miner, Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs

Date 18 April 1975

Subject Records on Council Proceedings during FY 1976 Budget Process

Hearings

Saturday - March 22, 1975 - governmental and public witnesses concerning budget requests for D.C. Public Schools, Board of Higher Education, D.C. Teachers College, Federal City College, and Washington Technical Institute.

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Meetings of Committee Members

Wednesday - March 26, 1975 - Discussion of budget issues.

Thursday - April 3, 1975 - Discussion of budget reports.

In addition to the committee activities, staff met with all OBM budget analyst of the agencies under the Committee's preview. Staff met on several occasions with agency's staff and budget personnel as well as numerous phone conversations with the agencies' staff.

Please inform us of the proper disposition of items submitted to the Committee for the record by various citizens and groups. Staff feels that some of the agencies responses to questions should be included for the record. What should we do to properly include all such items in the official printed record.

Major Issues - April 5, 1975

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Youth Affairs

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IV New Business

file weekly report

Pat — I want to have [illegible] with you on Wed. Thurs + Fri of this week, at that time I want a written report (one page) on the steps you have taken & who you have talked with & are requiring volunteer(s) to help you. Also, I want a chart [illegible] you and Sandy on status of all legislation — this will become a permanent part of weekly reports —

Also see you check on the AJ+T bills given to N.I on school calm. Should we remind the article I once gave you? Let discuss

Sandy The attached chart (one for At-Large Legislation + one for Ed. Comm) should be drafted by you to Pat + completed for any unanticipated legislation for which you is responsible. Past dates should be noted in red and anticipated dates in pencil. You and Pat will be evaluated on how rapidly you can complete the legislative drafts & how rapidly you can move it thru the system. This is [illegible] priority — along with volunteer systems to help. Pls give me same report as requested of Pat above.

Bill	Introduced in Committee of Whole	Committee Assignment	Committee Review (Approve/Disap)	Committee Hearings	Retur to Comm. of Whole	Council Vote
Architectural Barriers Act 1975	July 22, 1975	Trans. Environ. (date)	date ?			
Rape						
Police Auth.						
Rezoning Petition						
Historic Dists.						
etc.						

STATUS OF CURRENT ACTIONS

1. Legislative Authority of Council over Education

Definition requires more extensive research including full review of legislative history of the Home Rule Charter. It is the general impression of at least several councilmembers that we do have fairly wide latitude in terms of our legislative perogatives. We have contacted for help: D.C. Bar Association and Counsel of the Council. Wilmer, Cutler and Pickering cannot assist us since they have previously helped the Board of Education on the same question.

Can you get a copy of what they prepared. ↓

2. Special Education

Needs intensive study of services provided physically handicapped and mentally retarded, etc. to determine necessity for legislation. This will be a student intern project. D.C. Mental Health Society is developing a legislative proposal which they will probably forward to us--We will follow up.

3. Equalization-Comparability

We have received a copy of D.C. Citizens Report of June 1975. We may wish to schedule hearings for late fall.

→ for what reason? Possible legislation?

4. Child Labor Law

The Mayor has not yet commented on the Board of Education's proposal for amending current law. When the Mayor provides comments we will designate an intern to pursue questions/issues.

5. School Safety-Security

An investigation of safety/security measures in other states/cities will be performed by an intern/volunteer.

6. Building Maintenance

This has been a critical problem for D.C. schools for many years. We should investigate funding level, services provided by the Department of General Services (Starobin) to the schools to see if they need Council assistance. I anticipate a report from D.C. Citizens for Better Public Education which has been studying this problem recently.

7. Accreditation

A student intern will compile accreditation reports on all local public secondary schools and postsecondary institutions. We should be aware of the specific weaknesses identified by the Middle States Association.

8. School Level Budgeting

[redacted]

9. Teacher Retirement Fund/Annuity

See Major Issues

check resolution with Wayne Clarke - I think it is redundant & unnecessary. → do not issue a press release on any bill/resolution until it is actually on the council agenda — you lose clout and seldom ever get publicity.

JOR ISSUES 7November 1975

1. Resolution on Local Autonomy

The resolution has been filed, disseminated to Councilmembers, and the press release distributed to our mailing list. Copy of the resolution and press release are enclosed. We don't have the Mark Battle contract in our files. Do you have it at home? If lost, I can get another copy from several places. It is scheduled for introduction at the November 18th session. We can ask for a waiver of the rules and a vote at that time, or we can wait til it is referred to the committee.

Why does it have to be referred to the committee — can't they individually approve/disapprove?

2. ANC and NPC Issue

Last week we sent a number of questions to Sterling Tucker re Bill 1-193 which provides for specific powers of the ANCs. In the bill, language is included about the election of youths in each single member district to constitute a youth advisory mechanism. See his responses to our inquiry... received late today.

3. Child Labor Law — What is your goal on this issue?

We have begun a draft report summarizing the major comments and criticisms of the participants at the roundtable discussion. A copy of the draft should be ready by next week for review. As I mentioned earlier, many persons felt that the work permit process should be performed by another agency of the government, with regular coordination with the Board of Education. Ed Webb has reiterated his concern that we should talk to youth about this matter, as well as elicit additional comments from the public. Is this part of Ed Webb's responsibility? You can develop questionnaires & send to school for "random" sample of responses.

4. Council Procedures

It has been brought to my attention that Bob Williams wishes that the Committee Clerks clean up their act: file all committee meeting agendas, filing of minutes of meetings, turning over pertinent correspondence on legislation to the permanent records of the council. So far, he says, no one is doing these things; we never really knew... or at least I didn't. This will take up some time, but I haven't planned to do so right away.

→ Wait & find out what exactly is necessary — what other people doing.

5. Statehood Bill

Lou has spent quite a few days working at the Library of Congress researching the background and details of the Alaska and Hawaii statehood process. Copies of the pertinent acts of the territorial legislatures, along with a draft of the D.C. proposed bill will be on your desk SUnday.

6. D.C. Citizens for Better Public Education

Attached is a proposal from D.C. Citizens that the Board of Education members get paid $15,000 per annum and that six (6) staff assistants be hired to monitor the school system for them at a cost of $18,000+ each. We will have to respond to the letter since it comes as official correspondence to us from their Board of Directors. It should be disseminated to the other committee members.

7. Female Status in the Recreation Department

Copy of the response from Col. Rumsey on the status of females at the Department of Recreation is provided. He makes several comments about the inability of the agency to raise the number of women in the upper grades because of stability in the labor force and lack ofnnew positions in which to place females. The first two pages ag are the only ones with any substantive (?) replies. They also attached their Affirmative Action Plan.

8. Copy of the Annual Report FCC/DCTC

I have not really reviewed it, just merely wanted you to know that it had been received.

9. Nominating Board - U of DC

Attached is a memo from the faculty respresentatives of the existing institutions; they have suggestions as to whom they want named to the Nominating Board. Note: those appointed to th e nominating board cannot be trustees, as I understand it.

Find out what is done by other cities of same relative size with elected Boards.

Find out before we answer.

give me newspaper clipping re this subject

or dissemination - should be disseminated with letter.

to be taken on this matter.

Council of the District of Columbia
News Release

City Hall, 14th and E Streets, N.W. Fifth Floor 638-2223 or Government Code 137-3806

November 18, 1975

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

HOBSON TO INTRODUCE RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL AUTONOMY

Councilmember Julius W. Hobson (Statehood, At-Large) today announced the introduction of a resolution which urges the Congress of the United States to allow elected officials in the District of Columbia to autonomously pursue local matters. Mr. Hobson's action stemmed from his dissatisfaction over the recent announcement of the House District Committee that it planned to let a $25,000 contract with Mark Battle Associates to study the roles and responsibilities of the various entities in the area of public education. The resolution requests that local elected officials be permitted to conduct [illegible] education and studies. Furthermore, the resolution underlines the Council's perogatives for the enactment of legislation [illegible] matters.

Mr. Hobson, an advocate of statehood and full self-determination for the citizens of the District of Columbia, has stated that the adoption of this resolution by the Council would demonstrate the determination of city officials to exercise their total responsibility over local affairs. The matter is scheduled to be introduced to the full Council on November 18, 1975.

For further information contact: Patricia Evans Miner
638-2223, ext. 14

Check with Dave Clark re legality: Is this necessary or will it only complicate things? It really does not relate to the specific issue of the Battle study. You may want to withdraw. May confuse strategy

A RESOLUTION

In the Council of the District of Columbia

Councilmember Julius Hobson introduced the following resolution which was referred to

A resolution to reaffirm local autonomy in the development of public policy and operation of programs in public education in the District of Columbia

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

That this Resolution may be cited as the "Resolution Supporting Local Autonomy of the Government Entities in the District of Columbia."

Sec. 2. The Council finds that --

(a) The People of the District of Columbia have been delegated a greater measure of control by the Congress of the United States over their Government through the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act (P. L. 93-198);

(b) The formulation of public policy, definition of roles and responsibilities, and enactment of legislation on public education in the District of Columbia are local in nature and are peculiarly under the

purview of the Board of Education and the Council of the District of Columbia; and,

(c) Although the Congress of the United States retains oversight of the District of Columbia as provided in Sec. 602 and 604 of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act. (P. L. 93-198), it has delegated the primary responsibilities for governance of the District of Columbia to elected local officials. Therefore, on matters of exclusively local interest and concern, the elected local officials should establish all local policies and programs.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia respectfully urges that the Committees of the Congress of the United States with oversight responsibility for the District of Columbia --

(a) Allow local officials to resolve, either legislatively or otherwise, problem areas which have been identified by local officials;

(b) Accord local elected officials the opportunity to conduct autonomous investigations to the extent that such investigations are necessary; and

(c) Allow duly elected local officials to autonomously pursue local matters.

Sec. 4. Upon adoption of this resolution, the Secretary of the Council shall transmit a copy to the Chairman of the House District Committee, Chairman of the Senate District Committee, the Mayor of the District of Columbia and the President of the Board of Education.

Sec. 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Meetings Attended November 24-28, 1975

1. Tuesday, November 25, 1975 10:00 A.M.

Lou attended a portion of the meeting called by Councilman Spaulding on living arrangements, phone systems, parking, etc. for the Council. They are proposing that a new phone system be installed allowing for more inside lines, and fewer ~~xxxxx~~ outside lines. They are drawing up floor plans to put all of staff together (personal and committee) in a suite with the Councilmember; Rodney Coleman will unveil the plans around the New Year. Under this plan some of the members will have their suites on the fourth floor and the COuncil will probably vacate its space on the second floor.

2. Wednesday, November 26, 1975 2:00 P.M.

I attended a Budget Meeting called to consider the Mayor's amendment to the FY 1976 budget. Present were: Tucker, Barry, D. Moore, Shackleton, Dixon, Clarke, Winter, and almost all of the Committee clerks and other staff . At this time each committee clerk addressed the problems associated with the cuts proposed by the Mayor. It primarily cut money from all agencies to fund a $14 million increase in DHR. After analysis of the changes, it was discovered that it still was about a $9 million dollar increase in ongoing expenditures for the city. It was decided that substantial cuts should be made in other agencies' new programs to equalize the increase. Adjourned around 5:30 p.m.

did you discuss in advance or afterwards with Julius.

3. Friday, November 27, 1975 10:00A.M.-12:00P.M.& 2:00-5:00P.M.

I was called and informed that the Budget committee had decided to reconvene and consider major cuts in agencies, including large cuts in the D.C. Public Schools, Higher Education Recreation Department, and OYOS. It was necessary for me to attend to explain the impact of the proposed cuts. I confered with the Public Schools about the cuts to find out what the bottom line was that they could accept. I think that I convinced the Committee that the Recreation Department could sustain no additional cuts. Higher Education was cut somewhat but not as badly as had been originally proposed.

Pat never take a position without clearing with Julius in advance. If you are forced to take a position - always state that it is tentative until you clear with Julius (call at home). Remember Julius represents Committee - not staff.

A Budget meeting is scheduled for 10:00 A.M. Monday instead of the Committee of the Whole to review the cuts so that the Councilmembers will understand them at the vote on the Legislative Session, Tuesday. The Budget Staff is compiling a report this weekend, if it has not changed substantially the cuts are hard but should not ruin the agencies. I will brief you prior to the meeting.

From the Desk of
JULIUS W. HOBSON

no correspondence to sign?

Pat –

I would like to have lunch with you and Dave on Friday — your 1st priority is unit budgeting. I cannot do your job but I can get info from the gov – you must take the lead and your "evaluation" is going to be based in large measure on how well you do this job which

to what we have said for weeks is the most important contribution we can make to the school system -- is to start the ball rolling.

Let's review Friday & plan to meet every Sunday morning until this is completed - Dave can help but it is your main responsibility.

I can bring a sandwich & meet in your office if necessary on Friday.

P.S. If you are not interested in this project I think you should let Julie know.

From the Desk of

JULIUS W. HOBSON

Item 8 — set out programs and facilities you think should be visited and Julius will make assignments of staff next week. You can list the ones you think you should visit personally. Dave may be assigned to set up budget briefings — we'll see Friday when we have lunch. The budgeting procedure is such a farce without

over

a cost center or unit budgeting system where budgeting / planning are one operation that we need to decide how to do the best job in the least time. Remember our role is not to protect the agencies such as you outline in item 1 "fight against" etc. — but to ask questions & make these agencies more accountable to the citizens etc. more honest, more efficient ....

into proper perspective. Let Fidel know.

your judgment should not be the guide — Julius' position is what you represent as Chairman of the Committee. Were you specifically following his direction? Did you fully brief him before meeting? Get his ideas, directions? Not your role to determine what to support

MAJOR ISSUES

November 29, 1975

1. FY 1976 Budget

As mentioned in the "meetings attended," the Council has one more shot at the FY 1976 Budget. Although all of the Council's deliberations on this matter are long and drawn out, it was, in my judgement, important for me to fight against giant, further cuts in our agencies. Although they will be cut back, the majority of the cuts will not affect their ongoing operations.

2. Child Labor Law

Lou has been working on the Child Labor Law report all week; in order to present the bill to the Committee for approval the bill has to be marked up to make the wording consistent with the D.C. Code. For example, the bill was based by the original drafters on the 1928 version of the Child Labor Law. Lou is going through the bill to change the references, (E.G., section numbers have been changed when the law was codified, etc.) and generally make it comprehensible. The report is not yet finished but Lou assured me that it would be done this week. He really has been working on it but the bill itself it quite lengthy and the Council requires that all reports have an item by item analysis of each of the provisions in the bill. (The bill has thirty sections.) I plan to go over it with him to make sure that all things that are required in a report now are included.

3. Teachers Retirement Fund

Did you ask the retired teachers to do this/help?

I met briefly this week with the women from the D.C Retired Teachers Association. She referred me to a lawyer for NRPA which may be able to provide assistance with drafting the bill. Should be completed in about a week. This bill will also be somehat lengthy; it requires revisions to existing D.C. Code as well as the new provisions which we want to add.

finally!

4. OYOS Resolution - model after "rape" packet. A "background" per our proceedures

I havenot written the press release yet and a ~~brief report~~ outlining the need. This will be completed early in the week. I would have finished it but, with Thanksgiving and Budget meeting, I was unable to finish it. It will definitely be ready for introduction on December 16th, which is the next legislative session.

Please have on desk next week

5. Xmas Recess

We are going to have to clarify when each of the staff members wants to take leave during the Xmas holidays. I know Lorraine is planning to take a block of time off then.

Will ask Lorraine to send around sheet

The Council will be in recess from December 17th through January 4th, and I expect that every one will want a little time off then. I know that I might like an extra long weekend at that time.

6. Unit Budgeting

I have developed the definitions for types of information to be requested, and refined the format for presentation of information. I am still working on it a little. Have you gotten any additional information? I received clarification on the California material; it is not in a legislative format and is not what we have in mind, although it was to be mailed out this week. I have not yet followed up on how hawaii does it, though.

Who did you work with on this?

I would like to see Friday.

7. League of Cities

I suppose Dave may have already indicated this, but we walked over there on our lunch hour one day this week and talked about the possible services to Councilmembers. They have a legislative reference service, although not too mu ch information on education. The person whom we spoke to belongs to the D.C. Statehood Party (Jeff Fletcher) and he indicated that he would like to establish some type of relationship. He also indicated that one of their lobbyists knows quite a bit about retirement systems. However, most of the people there were in Miami for a convention and would be there most of next week. I plan to look up the man and see if he can help with the Teachers' retirement stuff. — can the teachers do this?

8. Review of Programs/Facilities

In conjunction with the FY 1977 budget, we need to be more aware of what is going on in our agencies. I propose that I set up a set of briefings after the Xmas recess with all agencies, with the Committee, to review their requests and look at their programs. Furthermore, I think that we need to carve out some time to visit selected facilities and programs of all of the agencies under this committee. I know that I really need to inspect some of the programs and facilaities that are proposed, especially some of the OYOS stuff and recreation stuff... e.g., YOuth Gardens, 24-Hour Youth Assistance Centers. Doug Moore asked if I had visited the new capital projects for our agencies and I think that, simce so many of the cities' new construction is under our committee, I should. Maybe I could use some of the time right before Xmas when the council is in recess to start this process.

what will other committees be doing?

not until the budgeting bill is introduced.

set out your suggestions + assignments?

This is your most significant assignment — please list as major issue #1 in each report. Where is your work? Read letter, etc.

Major Issues

November 3, 1975

Very good approach - pls. talk with Sandy on how to develop packet for review by Julius.

1. OYOS Resolution

As mentioned in the discussion of meetings attended, we agreed that something would have to be done about the Office of Youth Opportunity Services. The attached Resolution is drafted for your consideration. We did ask the Mayor on October 23 to tell us about his suggestions for a process to reorganize OYOS (see copy of letter). However, I am dubious about the quality of his response to such a request. If we introduced such a resolution, it would of course be referred back to committee for report and this would take some time before the Council could actually adopt it. By that time, the Mayor would probably have responded in some fashion to our letter.

I think you are right — we are not moving fast enough on some of these issues!

The Mayor established a Task Force on Recreation and Parks (also attached) which Sterling Tucker may have known about at the time of our committee meeting and wished to help the Mayor out-- (I don't know but that is what Lou suspects). The Mayor's task force was established on October 10--although not published in the D.C. Register until Nov. 3--our meeting on that matter, at which time we decided to write the letter to the mayor telling him of our resolution, was Oct. 16.

2. Statehood Bill

— forget Lou's bill I will file the Dellums bill. Too many bills would be stupid

Why don't we try one step at a time.

Attached is a revised copy of the Statehood bill that Lou has worked on. Upon discussion, we thought that we would suggest that you may wish to file Lou's bill as well as a revised version of Dellum's bill. That way the Council would know you were serious and, if either version were adopted, you would be the author of the plan. Lou says that quite often on Capitol Hill, alternative versions of the same bill are introduced by the same member. I thought that, as a strategy, it might well be worth proposing several different methods to the Council at the same time.

3. Budget Hearings - FY 1976

The next budget hearings will be held on the Hill will be on December 1, 1975. Arrington Dixon and his Committee Clerk were at all of the hearings effecting his agencies. I think that it is critical that Lou attend all sessions, for protocol and pratical purposes. It might be nice, for you to attend the hearings on OYOS and/or D.C. Public Schools. We don't know the exact dates and won't until much later, because they keep running behind schedule.

Lou needs to stay here & do some work. Julius

Julius, like Dave Clarke, does not recognize the Committee. For protocal reasons he wants to be absent.

4. FY 1976 Budget Changes Requested by Mayor

The Mayor has sent the Council a set of proposals to change the funding of a number of agencies in the 1976 Budget which is currently being considered on the Hill. The changes proposed in the agencies under our committee are:

Agency	Total Dollar Reduction	Positions *	Dollar Reduct. in Post.	Program Change
Public Libraries	$40,300	11	$40,300	0
D.C.T.C.	71,700	30	71,700	0
F.C.C.	245,500	60	179,100	$66,400
W.T.I.	203,300	38	136,900	66,400
Rec. Dept.	21,900	elim 7 pos.	21,900	0

* reduction from four month funding to two month funding for new positions.

For a complete description of the changes see pages 7, 14 and 15 of the attached document from the Mayor.

Lou is not convinced that the reduction of $66,400 for WTI and FCC Cooperative Extension Service makes sense. ← how should we support this.

5. FY 1977 Budget

I feel that we should schedule briefings by all of the department heads on their plans for the FY 1977 budget. With whom? Our Committee.

what is the next step — your recommendations?

get this act and stop holding this up. Don't wait for any report!

6. Child Labor Law

We received a response from the Board of Education to our letter inquiring about the formulation of the Child Labor Law. If you think so, we can report it out, substantially as it was referred to the committee. As Lou stated earlier, the bill basically cleans up sexual discrimination, and a few housekeeping chores of the Board of Education. More substantive changes are probably necessary, but we won't know until we conduct a study of youth employment. We can have the bill ready for mark-up at the next committee meeting. Lou and I will prepare a draft report on the bill for your review, ~~possibly~~ by next Sunday.

7. Board-Superintendent Agreement

A copy of the Board Agreement with the Superintendent is provided for your information. - see special items section.

8. Teacher Retirement Fund Bill

can't the people interested in this bill

I have not finished putting it in form for drafting. There is no one who can draft it except us. After I pull together all of the necessary changes in the D.C. Code, I plan to send it to Mike Senger, Legislative Services, who can do drafting for Council members.

fast. No more unnecessary delay

9. Legal Intern-Ken Thomas

Our intern from Howard University Law School is currently taking exams and unable to come back until the middle of December. At that time he plans to spend a number of consecutive days. During that time, he should be able to accomplish a lot more things than he can coming in one day per week.

10. Unit budgeting - I am still collecting infor. from CSC. - we may be able to arrange meeting on this for next week. Who is the Cahy material? What is holding it up?

-- who are retired and have the time -- locate a legal intern or someone to do this for you? Let them know about our staff shortage. Would you like me to call several of the people who wrote in?

Meetings Scheduled November 17-21, 1975

1. Wednesday, November 19, 1975 11 a.m.

Pat and Lou joined meeting between Julius and Illya Bullock on the problems of NPC's funding by OYOS. See attached letter to Jones on NPC #8 and draft of a resolution on whole over-view of youth affairs.

2. Thursday, November 20, 1975 2:30 p.m.

Lou went to Natcher's hearings on the DC FY 76 Budget to monitor the portion on the Public Libraries. Even though they had scheduled libraries for mid afternoon, they are falling behind schedule and will not take up this part until Dec. 1 when they reconvene. No date scheduled yet for other agencies.

Lou does not need to go to the above meeting. It has no possible benefit to us

Julius



To the Palais Royal Department Store goes the honor of opening the first War Bond and Stamp selling agency of its kind in the District. Arch McDonald, WJSV announcer, and Jane Pickens, singer, took part in the opening ceremonies. (Evening Star - June 6, 1943)

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MAJOR ISSUES

5 December 1975

1. Unit Budgeting

David informed me of the luncheon meeting on Wednesday, December 10. At that time, I will bring my definitions and format. I have not had them typed up yet, otherwise I would have included them in the notebook at this time.

I spoke with Dr. Paul Cawein, former Assistant Supt. in D.C. P.S., who is not with a study group at NIE. He is reviewing a proposal to study lump sum school site budgeting and will forward it to me in about two weeks, after it is released.

2. OYOS Resolution

I have prepared a draft packet on the resolution calling for aninvestigation of OYOS's operations. If you want, after cleaning up the report a little, it can be filed on Wednesday for introduction at the legisltative session on December 16th.

3. Teachers' Retirement Fund

The draft of that bill is finally in the works. Will be ready for introduction after Xmas recess. The bill that they want introduced does not get into the lack of funding which has been highlighted in the papers recently. It merely addressed the system of governance of the fund.... which does of course have some impact on the contents of the fund. But it shouldn't be too hot of a potatoe, as well as serve to solicit teacher enthusiasm for the Committee and you.

4. FY 1976 Budget

As you requested, I have prepared an overview of what has been going on thin the budget meetings. I have drafted a memorandum to Doug Moore protesting his committee's actions. If you concur, it should go out first thing Monday, since the meeting is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. to consider the amendment.

5. Child Labor Law

Lou has been working very diligently on the bill to prepare it for reporting out. According to Mike Senger, our Legislative COunsel (who has to comment officially on the sufficiency of reports), it requires marking up the bill as introduced (a 1928 law), and marking up the D.C. Code (1973 edition with slightly

different wording and numbers). In addition, he has almost completed the section by section analysis of the bill. It may appear on your desk in some form this weekend, I'm not sure.

6. Staffing Issues

After our discussion on Monday, I have given further consideration to problems on the Committee staff. I think that, after briefly discussing it with Lorraine, that I should discuss with Bob Williams the possibility of assigning Alice back to the CETA pool. As you may recall, Alice was hired by the Council and interviewed by Lorraine and Sandy, but we really were sort of backed up a little to hiring her for the Committee staff. We need another "staff" type; the typing difficulties will have to be solved through another approach. But I think that Alice is a hopeless case in terms of working out here.

Unfortunately, any replacement that we get for her at this time would have to come through CETA, because there are no funds yet from the FY 1976 budget. I know someone who is interested in the GS-7 when the funds are available... she has newspaper experience, a college graduate, and is currently employed as a legal secretary. I hope that whomever is hired later can be someone who can pursue legislative matters and do research as well as type. I understand that generally is how the hiring is done on the hill.

Sandy, Dave, Lorraine, Lou and I met on Friday morning to discuss the staff memo and coordination of our work. We discussed a number of issues and decided to meet very briefly on a weekly basis. I think that will be somewhat helpful in terms of arranging our priorities and keeping up on what each other is doing.

MAJOR ISSUES [illegible] December 1974

1. Unit Budgeting

Copy of the format and resolution are provided. I have not started the position paper which will accompany it. I plan to work on it this week. If you approve of the format, I will go over it with the fellows at Civil Service and Joan Baratz of the D.C. Citizens (she's the person who did their analysis of equalization and is pretty up on budgeting for schools).

2. OYOS Resolution

has been filed for introduction on Tuesday night, and report has been circulated to councilmembers. Press release will be issued whenever you want - Monday, Tueasday, or Tuesday evening. I will have a statement for you to read at the time of introduction outlining the resolution.

3. FY 1977 Budget

Our budget hearing is scheduled for January 26, 1975. We will be receiving the budgets around the 12th of January. I think that will take a major portion of staff time. I will finish up all other odds and ends so that my attention can' be focussed on the budget. Sandy and David should be conversant about our agencies' budgets also, at least understanding the essentials. Its our most powerful "weapon" with the agencies.

4. Staffing

I talked with Bob Williams; he is handling Alice's transfer as quickly and discretely as possible-. He said on Friday that it would take several days to arrange it. As soon as the slot is vacated, it can be filled with David.

-Dave

Re: new positions in FY 1976 budget, GS-11 and GS-7. Several people had heard that the GS-7's were going to be recruited and filled by Bob Williams. I asked him the exact status of that and that I believed that you were planning to use that position to supplement the GS-11. He said that he was helping with recruiting, but that the position was at the perogative of the Councilmember. He did strongly raise the concern that whomever we staff the committee with, that someone has to be trained to use the mag card machines, since each committee was going to have one and it was going to be required that all legislation, reports and related notices be entered into the Council's computer system. When the new budget is approved, there will not be any typing pool to provide relief for the Committees and the Councilmembers. I thought you should know, so that if you have any one in mind, they will have to be trained to operate that machine and assorted other Council procedural gobbledygook. (Lorraine was quite concerned that I get clarification on that matter)

Do not give to CSC until you have draft background paper completed ① give to Ray or CSC first. then after you settle/ resolve differences with them ② give to Jean B.) Barbara Evans & Martha Swain.

Check with Dave Smith - when you and Dave both agree then Take 1st step (next week) + go to CSC. (appt. this week)

where?

Pat - remember you w/he going to see CSC this week. Don't delay - keep all appointments with them. Make this a priority.

unit budget resolution and

Check with Sandy/Dave on how best to do this

Circulate on Monday - before!

not under the current system - it is so confusing, anyone can hide anything

finger in dike approach

How about CEDA positions? How long will those be available?

The intern from Howard Law School is giving us a few consecutive weeks of his time around Xmas. I plan to give him a particular assignment.

5. Child Labor Law

Lou is going to be finished with the section-by-section analysis of the bill , and the display of the changes in the law. Still to be completed are the summary and fiscal impact. (see attachment)

All of these items are required by the Council procedure for filing reports. Upon final completion the report will be about 60 pages. It is not unduly lengthy. The requirements are such that the detailed explanation of each section of the law are necessary. Lou has not been playing around with it; he has been working on that and nothing else for over two solid weeks. He met with the agency that implements the law briefly this week to clarify a few points. I think he is doing a thorough and good job on it. I will have to quickly read through and edit it however. I must emphasize that because of the length of both the existing law and the bill to amend it, and despite the fact that the amendments are not terribly substantial, that it is has required significantly more time and effort than any other bill we have reported out thus far.

Because Alice was out three days this week with a sick baby, Lou has had to do all of his own typing. Please pardon my typing also.

6. Public Property Lead Elimination Act

This bill was introduced at the last legislative session and referred to Government Operations Committee. It was also Committe on Human Resources, Housing and Urban Development, and Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs for comment. See attached memo and back up materials. The deadline for those comments is after Xmas. Should present no problem.

5 September 1975

MAJOR ISSUES

1. ERYA Committee Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs is 18 September 1975. We will be able to discuss several issues: at the minimum, Bills 1-48, 1-50, and 1-51.

2. Status of Bills assigned to ERYA

Bill 1-48 Child Labor Laws
Bill 1-50 Emergency Leave for Temporary Teachers and other TSA Employees
Bill 1-51 Sabbatical Leave for TSA School Officers
Bill 1-53 Voluntary and Free Educational Services
Bill 1-110 Election of the Superintendent of Schools

We have received written comments from the Mayor's Legislative Assistant on Bills 1-48, 1-50, and 1-51.

Be sure reports are on Julius desk the Tuesday before each regular Committee mtg

After reports are written and approved by the Committee at our regular September meeting, we can report out Bills 1-50 and 1-51. The Executive Branch has no substantive objections to Bill 1-51; Bill 1-50 has received specific suggestions for changes from the Executive Branch, however, the Corporation Counsel is still reviewing the bill. We certainly can report out 1-51 at 30 September Legislative Session; we may be able to report out 1-50 at the same time.

Bill 1-48: The ACLU and, possibly, NOW wish to discuss this bill and offer suggestions for modifications. We received Executive comments late last week. We should be able to report this bill out in October. I will confer with Ed Webb as to whether or not we need to hold public hearings; I think that a well-publicized round table discussion may suffice. OK

3. Teachers Retirement Fund

I plan to schedule a meeting on this issue later this month. The ladies from D.C. Retired Teachers' Association are out of the city until the middle of September. Matt Watson has not yet completed the report which we requested on July 25 on the status of the fund.

4. Funeral Parlor Issue

Your Bill, 1-168, introduced on July 22, 1975 re the repeal of Sec.7(6)(2) of the Boxing and Wrestling Commission Act can be considered by the Council now (the earliest consideration date was 8-12-75). It is on the agenda of the Government Operations Committee Meeting for consideration on 10 September; they plan to report it out to the Council at the 23 September Legislative Session, coupled with Emergency Legislation to close the loopholes caused by the original bill as soon as possible.

5. FY 1976 Budget

We have not yet analyzed the budgets prepared for the Congressional Committees on Appropriations' hearings. Curiously, "The Council Budget was not available in time for inclusion" in the printed documents -- that is the only statement about it in the six volume set of prepared materials for the Hill. The overall amount requested is listed as a line item in the front, as opposed to the detailed budget and justifications prepared for other agencies. Bob Williams provided the enclosed chart of positions which theoretically will represent the state of affairs if the budget is approved; however, it is unofficial (as far as I am concerned).

6. Transportation and Environment Committee Meetings

Although not on the Council Schedule, the Transportation and Environment Committee is meeting on Monday 9 September to discuss Air Quality Standards, and on the 16th to discuss the Lorton Landfill. Lou thought you should attend.

7. OYOS

In our FY 1976 Committee Budget reports, we requested several specific reports from Jimmy Jones (OYOS) on his operations with the Neighborhood Planning Councils, Street Academy, State Recreation Grants, etc. They were due 1 September 1975; if we don't get them by the 10th, we should write nasty letters.

Major Issues

August 29, 1975

1. Child Labor Law

We have finally received the Mayor's comments on this Bill (1-48); we can now proceed. ACLU and several other persons would like to make specific suggestions for conclusion in this bill.

2. Possible Ideas for Legislation

Oregon has a career education law which I would like to see us investigate. It requires that all graduates be able to perform certain tasks--e.g. balance a checkbook, fill out a job application, complete income tax forms, swin the length of a pool, possess rudimentary information on driving/cars, etc... I think we should introduce a similar measure; many state legislatures have mandated particular courses for inclusion in the curricula (e.g. state history). Any thoughts?

Excellent idea!
Get copy of type
learning by legislation
you are interested in!

Major Issues August 22, 1975

1. D.C. Teachers' Retirement Fund

Letter to Matt Watson regarding Teachers' fund of July 25th not yet answered. During the last week in July I spoke again with Mrs. Virginia Griffith and Ms. Elizabeth Barnes of the D.C. Retired Teachers' Association; they have sent an outline of a legislative proposal for our review and comments (see special items). They are extremely desirous of the introduction of similar legislation; I think that we should definitely pursue this. If you concur, I plan to approach the National Association of Retired Teachers to obtain copies of legislation in other states.

Good!

2. School Level Budgeting

Community members have commented that there is a distinct effort in the public schools to move away from community involvement at the local school level, especially in terms of school-level budgeting. Decentralized unit budgeting serves to reinforce local accountability, building in a system at the school level. I will contact Eleanor Farrar at MARC next week. Any suggestions for contact persons to explore government's program budgeting process? We will move forward in this area immediately. After some legislation is developed, and introduced, we should hold hearings.

Good! Call me for contacts. 254-9655

Can Mr. Eastman Harrison assist?

3. ERYA

Recently Chairman Tucker has assigned two bills (Bill 1-104 and Bill 1-138) to Spaulding's Committee which concern higher education matters other than the university. The Council Rules established 11 standing substantive committees and an administrative committee. The Council Resolution 1-5, which established 13 committee(including Spaulding's special committee on Higher Education and the University of the District of Columbia), specified that D.C. Teachers College, Federal City College, and Washington Technical Institute should be under the purview of our ERYA Committee. We discussed this briefly on Friday; I will prepare a letter to Sterling Tucker, as you requested, concerning this committee and its jurisdictions to assure

Good!

that all educational bills (including University of DC)be assigned to ERYA.

4. Status of ERYA Pending Bills (five)

Currently we have five bills pending in ERYA:

Bill 1-48 Child Labor Laws (see Current Actions)
Bill 1-50 TSA ~~Positions~~ — Emergency leave
Bill 1-51 ~~Teachers Salaries~~ TSA Sabbatical leave
Bill 1-53 Education Services
Bill 1-110 Elected Superintendent of Schools

We have received comment from the Mayor on Bill 1-50 and Bill 1-51. We can report out Bill 1-51 since the executive branch has no substantive objections. Bill 1-50 has elicited several suggestions for changes from the Executive branch; the corporation counsel is also reviewing the bill.

I plan no action on Bill 1-110 (Coates' bill to provide for an elected Superintendent). We are awaiting comment on Bill 1-53 and Bill 1-48.

In summary, we can report out Bill 1-51 immediately and some further investigation is required for Bill 1-50.

5. Proposed Legislation

Charles Mason sent a bill to Lou for our possible consideration and introduction. This would provide for the use of non-resident tuitions directly by the DC Schools, through the establishment of a revolving fund. The sample bill he sent was originally for congressional action; it would have to be changed to reflect the current governmental organization (see special items).

Is such legislation operating elsewhere?

Good status report

STATUS OF CURRENT ACTIONS

1. Legislative Authority of Council over Education

When can we expect results.

Definition requires more extensive research including full review of legislative history of the Home Rule Charter. It is the general impression of at least several councilmembers that we do have fairly wide latitude in terms of our legislative perogatives. We have contacted for help: D.C. Bar Association; Wilmer, Cutler, and Pickering; Counsel of the Council.

We have heard from Wilmer, C. - they are considering our request for help.

2. Special Education

Needs intensive study of services provided physically handicapped and mentally retarded, etc. to determine neccessity for legislation. We may want to schedule hearings in the fall. This will be a student intern project.

asap ok

3. Equalization-Comparability

We have received no report from the Board of Education concerning their hearing on June 7, 1975. We should schedule hearing for October; this is the approximate time of teacher transfer court-required report. It would be both timely and newsworthy.

When is this due - do we have copy of last one? yes / end of first semester

4. Child Labor Law

The Mayor has not yet commented on the Board of Education's proposal for amending current law. When the Mayor provides comments we will designate an intern to pursue questions/issues.

5. School Safety-Security

I think we should investigate safety/security measures in other states/cities. We can use an intern/volunteer in this effort.

asap ok

6. Building Maintenance

This has been a critical problem for D.C. schools for many years. We should investigate funding level, services provided by the Department of General Services (Starobin) to the schools to see if they need Council

assistance. I am preparing a letter asking Watson to do a program audit. I anticipate receiving a report on this issue from D.C. Citizens for Better Public Education which has been studying this problem recently.

7. Accreditation

I plan to ask a student intern to request accreditation reports on all local public secondary schools and postsecondary institutions. We should be aware of the specific weaknesses identified by the Middle States Association.

8. Decentralization-Community Involvement

develop draft legislation — & hold hearing to review. →

Recently, several community members have complained that there is a distinct effort in the public schools to move away from community involvement at the local school level, especially in terms of school-level budgeting. Decentralized unit budgeting serves to reinforce local accountability, building in a system at the school level. ERYA should hold hearings to evaluate the possibility of developing legislation to change the budgeting system to provide for fiscal accountability by school. Have begun very initial mtg. w.i.t. constant reference comm in NYC. I want to set up meeting for 3 pm with people responsible for that budgeting in Gov.

9. Teacher Retirement Fund/Annuity

Several complaints have been received, and I anticipate far more, from retired teachers about the handling of their annuity. This is directly under the purview of the Council and ERYA.

The teacher annuity fund currently is deposited in the U.S. Treasury with federal bonds. Under home rule, the Mayor has the perogative to institute D.C. control. The annuitants are extremely concerned that any profits, above the legally required amount of the fund, would go to D.C. rather than their fund. Their assertion is that the fund is contractually theirs and since the bulk of the funds come from teacher contributions, that the fund should be left alone; there are variations on this argument. I will ask Matt Watson to investigate because this issue is coming our way.

Good.

How about legislation for "trustee" — will explore — I have heard that Mayor has a proposal in this regard which I will track down & include next week.

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs

17th Regular Meeting
January 8, 1976
Room 503 10:30 a.m.
4th Special Meeting

AGENDA

I. Quorum Call

~~VII. Review of Minutes~~

II. Consideration of P.R. 1-126, 'Youth Services Task Force Reolution of 1975'

III. Markup of Bill 1-48,"Child Labor Law Amendments'

IV. Other Business

Pat - where was the mark-up? He wanted to see him. You will have to review with him Monday —

Major Issues

2 January 1976

1. Unit Budgeting:

David and I have reviewed materials we plan to have a rough draft by end of next week. We have had several problems conceptually with it, but I think they are pretty much resolved. I met with Ed Murphy (CSC) during Christmas week. He gave me some interesting materials, including a testbook on fund accounting. He felt that David and I should be very familiar and conversant with standard accounting jargon in order to appreciate the finer nuances of what we are doing; futthermore, he felt that in order to check out what we receive in response to the resolution, we will need to understand more accounting terminology.

After our draft is completed ~~and your approval~~, we are going to let Ed Murphy and some of the citybudget types look at the format for techn ical problems. Afterwards, it will be transmitted to Bardyl Tirana, Martha Swaim, D.C. Citizens etc. David and I figure that a projected time-frame for introduction is early ~~Mid~~-February

2. Lead Paint Bill:

We have been required to comment on Bill 1-213. Comments are being developed for your review. Unfortunately, with the holidays, all agencies have not yet been reached for their comments. A report will be ready on Monday. If you concur, it will transmitted to the other Committee members for their sign-off, so that comments can be sent to Dixon's committee by Wednesday, January 7th.

3. Staffing:

Alices job will terminate on January 9th (end of original CETA appointment). Bob Williams is away on leave, however, we will start paperwork to hire David, effective January 12th, which is the next work day after the 9th. The letters that were sent are provided for your information... Bob williams suggested the particular method to allow her to file for unemployment.

4. FY 1977 Budget:

Budget will be received by the Council on January 12th, ERYA budget hearing on January 26th, Council action by February 3rd; after the mayor's review and, probably, veto of Council action, it will be returned to us for final action in late February. The buld of our involvement will be from January 12th through February 3rd.

5. OYOS Resolution/ Task Force:

Several persons have contacted us in terms of providing information about the operations of OYOS, including someone

who works at UPO (which grants funds to OYOS for Neighborhood Planning Council activities, and summer youth programs). This should bet pretty hectic later, particularly if we push it at all.

Joe Cole has retired as the head of the Recreation Department, effective this week. The rumor mill is saying that Jimmmy Jones will get his job, and OYOS will be put under the recreation dept. If the mayor does this before we can set up the Task Force, we should at least protest the action publicly. – How + give reasons

I am trying to think of persons to recommend to you to be named to the TAsk Force. Assuming that the Committee acts on this right away, it will be referred to the Council in about three weeks, allowing for filing deadlines, so that the group will be named in early February.

Ask others for names – responsible federal people who live in the District (and work in youth programs at HEW) – Dave Johnson comes to mind among others; how about Teacher associations, D.C. Citizens etc. Maybe Dave can call on this for you so you can have some names as examples for the 1/8 meeting.

Happy New Year — did you get some filing + organizational work done?

3/29/75

MAJOR ISSUES

1. FY 1976 Budget Process

The Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs report/mark-up* was due to the Budget Committee on Saturday, March 29, 1975 at 9:00 am. Obviously, we have not complied with this deadline; Budget Committee staff is aware that we will be turning in the report early next week. The report on the recreation department, public libraries, and youth opportunity services is due Tuesday, April 1, 1975 at 9:00 am. We anticipate that the draft of the first report will be completed late monday afternoon (we are awaiting also a detailing of the Waddy decree requirments and history of Board of Education policies on evaluation from the school administration sometime Monday); after review by Mr. Hobson, committe members should receive the report for review and concurrence prior to submission to the budget committee. There is the possiblity that some member may want to submit a minority report. We should schedule a committee meeting for Monday afternoon, to consider first report.

The Budget Committee has scheduled its review of our Public Schools, et. al. report for Wednesday, April 2, 1975 at 2:00 pm; its review of the Recreation, et. al. will be on Thursday, April 3, 1975 at 5:00 pm/ I will get a clarification on what that process will entail.

(see attached memo to Council Members and Staff)

2. Legislative Package - DCPS

The Chairman referred several of the bills in the school system's legislative package to this committee for report. I do not plan to act on these until after April 7, 1975. The earliest time that the Council could have acted, in any case, was April 8, 1975.

3. Position Approval - DCPS

The Chairman received a request from the Mayor, dated 25 March 1975, asking for Council resolution for classifying five (5) positions under the Teachers' Salary Act. I infer that these will be referred to our Committee. If so, I will act as soon as possible so that the positions may be filled by the school system. I plan to also investigate this area to determine why Council approval is necessary for such actions, and, if suitable, suggest appropriate Committee

* on the public schools and higher education requests

action to abolish such a procedure.

4. Equalization/ Comparability Hearing

Hearing notices have gone out through regular Council channels; I am planning to send notices to other persons who may not be included on the Council mailing lists, e.g. Brookings, universities, etc. I have drafted letters to Ms. Morris and Ms. Sizemore for your approval. I would also be sending similar letters to whomever you suggest (e.g. Peter Rousselot).

The hearing is scheduled for April 16 and 17. I will advise you in greater detail as soon as the budgetary process slows down.

5. Reprogrammings

Currently the Committe has three (3) pending requests for reprogramming which require immediate report. One earlier request has been reported out and approved by the Council (Wheatley Playground). The outstanding reports are for (1) the demolition of Dunbar, (2) additional funds for the proposed Cole Recreation Center for the Physically Handicapped and Mentally Retarded, and (3) Parkview Playground. Progress is being made on all three reports; Lou is working closely with the budget committe staff on them . Rodney Coleman, in the Chairman's office, has called us repeatedly about them. They will be completed as soon as possible.

6. Committee Rules

Staff has been informally advised by the office of the Counsel that the rules adopted by the Committee do not comply with what is required. The rules which were adopted were based, verbatim, on those suggested by the Chairman. Within the nest three weeks we will explore what the specific requirements are, draft a proposal for either amendment or substitution, and submit to the Committee.

DRAFT

Committee on Education, Recreation,
and Youth Affairs

Special Meeting
Monday, March 31, 1975

AGENDA

I Report on FY 1976 Budget - D.C. Public Schools, Washington Technical Institute, D.C. Teachers College, Federal City College, and Board of Higher Education.

DRAFT

Committee on Education, Recreation,
And Youth Affairs

Regular Meeting
Thursday, April 3, 1975

AGENDA

I Report on FY 1976 Budget - Department of Recreation, Office of Youth Opportunity Services, and Public Library

II New Business

time frame more fully. I told him that I calculated a May 1 date for introduction, which is approximately what he is thinking that we should do. He is not trying to interfere, but merely make sure that we have all of the help that we need legally to insure sufficiency of the bill. He has also discussed it with the intern.

5. Teacher's pay Raise

Horrors!

This bill, drafted by the Mayor, will be introduced by Sterling Tucker, at the Mayor's request on Tuesday and referred to our committee. Ed Webb said that Sterling's Office and he have already gotten calls about it from the Boar d of Edueation. I would suggest that as soon as it comes to us that a committee meeting be set up to discuss it in detail. Willie's committee, did not have a public hearing, to the best of my determination, on the pay raises for police and firemen. It may be adviseable to have earlier meetings in private between Committee chairman and President of the Board of Education, TLacher's Union head.... I do it know I have asked for the records of the hearings on the Hill for prior pay raises... This should give some determination of the types of questions shich should be addressed. Ed Webb will be able to give some guidance in this area also.
See materials attached.

6. New Staff/Ltc.

I interviewed about eight or nine persons. I have selected a young women who has recently relocated (about 6 months ago) from Miami Florida... See her 171 attached. She does not have loads of experience at all but seems to have zest and interest, and seems reasonably intelligent. It will take approximately 10 days to get her on the payroll though. Julius interviewed her this week and okayed... Hobbie sent her over after I called him for suggesteions. I think she may prove to be a go-getter. Sluggish week with Lorraine gone. Better performance by all of us next week.

Can Julius hold public hearings on this issue? Ask Counsel? I think it might be wise to do so — let everyone know what issues are. More public education.

not necessary!

Second choice could be a roundtable discussion with — Bd. of Ed.
Sup.
Teachers Union

OK?

just get the unit budgeting package done please — I understand.

Pat Miner

Weekly Report - March 5, 1976

1. Unit Budgeting Et. Al.

Tangential happenings - Attended a meeting Thursday am with Mike Gafney, Lawyer's Committee for Civil Rights, Hilda and Charlie Mason, Anne Mc Williams, Al Mc Surely, Antioch Law. As I informed you, months ago, the Lawyer's committee has been working on a major study of the legal constraints on the public school system on a host of vairables - all related to school site decision making. I have been in contact with him troughout the time. He is almost completed the draft which will be sent to D.C. Citizens which will go to the Board of Ed. in approx. 2 months. Anyway, this paper will address several issues of interest to us. He convened the meeting to talk about the issues and adress strategies for action.

Hilda is exploring developing a model on school site budgeting for an experimental group of schools in her ~~xx~~ ward. She has been in touch with Ed Winner, D.C. School's Budget man; he has informed her that in terms of the immediate future, the system does not have the capability to do unit level budgeting on a city-wide basis and that he would support a ward level demonstration model. We discussed the possibility of coordinating all of the pieces. Our unit budgeting action will lead directly into her action. The schools' would then be eleigible for a grant which I may be able to identify to set up the model. Marty Swaim is working on an analysis of the decision-making on adminstrative matters for local ~~xxxx~~school levels which would be disbursed to the schools/ as opposed to downtown. D.C. Citizens also has Joan Baratz doing a study to design a n information system which would feed into the local school budgeting and tracking of pupils, supplies etc.

This was singularly the most exciting meeting that I have attended this~~xx~~ year in terms of tying together the rational forces at work for restructuring the schools. They will be meeting in about two or three weeks to discuss some specifics of the various necessary ingredients for local level decision making. If coordinated, we will be right on top of things starting out with the unit budgeting. My prioirity for next week is completing the statement which accompanies the unit budgeting resolution.

You accomplished a great deal and seem to be going in an excellent direction - congratulations!

But - this is exciting. But now we want the products. Dave still has responsibility on this (so he can push you!) - next week on Julia's desk we want:

1. draft press release
2. draft background info
3. draft resolution with reporting format attachments

I suspected exactly what is happening would happen - other details can be ironed out at the hearings. I want Dave to push you. This is your and Dave's 1st priority next week. No excuses accepted - we love you! Also please start "constituent" list for mailings in Sandy's black box.

I will count on this.

2. OYOS

Pursuant to our conversation on Tuesday, I have begun letters to our agencies which will be ready early in the week, anticiapating the veto override. — Make sure you read me letter over the phone before you have fellow sign.

Letters will also be prepared to the NPC's outlining what steps they might follow in developing their plans ~~whi~~ within the purview of the Recreation Department. Of course, the Recreation Department's letter will ~~request~~ that they meet with the NPC's and OYOS to arrange for an orderly transfer and solicit their suggestions for a reorganization act. — or just for the reorganization? Still not not convinced this is right to "Act"

David and Ken Natale met with hte ~~fell~~ fellow at Manpower and think that they are doing well with understanding the employment programs within the city for youth, etc. They ~~we~~ will be ~~doi~~ doing further investigation, however.

IN terms of the override, the Chairman~~x~~ has announced that he is not coming back to the substantive committeess for comments; he will just bring up the matter in legislative session nad ask the Council to vote for override. Nine (9) votes are required to override the veto. Eight (8) appear likely: Tucker, Dixon, Wilson, Shackleton, Spaulding, Clarke, Winter(?) and Hobson. No one is sure how Jerry Moore and Coates and Hardy stand. Doug Moore will probably support the Mayor, although Doug told Lou and I that if the OYOS is considered sepatately that he will support the Council's earlier action. I don't know whether Tucker will go through the veto item-by-item or not.

3. Constituent Complaint

A fellow contacted us and Dixon's staff today about his serious concerns with the operation of Department

of general services, Col Starobin. He alleges that there is widespread theft by employees, especially the foreman, and that roofs, additions airconditioning, etc. is being done on private residences, including in the suburbs with distrcct supplies. He works for the operational portion of the outfit as a welder. He has been harassed for complaints about the inequitieis, etc. In short, he allegations sound legitimate. Furthermore, he feels that they could EASILY be substantiated if an accountant and a certified engineer compared purchases with actual materials used, etc. He outlined which forms should be examined, etc.

The tie in that this has with our committee is that he works with the team which repiars SCHOOLS. He feels that the theft is of an extremely high magnitude. Furthermore, since District employees have theses other jobs on district time, the charges are made to the school's maintenance account. This jibes with the schools' longstanding complaints in this area. Ed Webb talked with him briefly, and suggested that we discretely check into a few facts to make sure that we are not being used by the guy, and if he appears straight, ask Matt Watson to perform an audit. This would be a joint action by both our committee and Governemnt operations. David and I talkded with Arrington Dixon briefly, and he agreed that that seemed like the best approach.

fine, go ahead after you have delivered the unit budgeting draft

4. Elected Superintendent Bill

Assigned to interns who are working on a report and will continue until completed. Projected time-frame is 5 weeks. Ken Thomas (Howard Law) and Valerie Silver (U of Md) are doing the report, with Ken as the major responsibile person.

5. LOU is gone

I will discuss possible replacements on Monday with you.

Good luck!

Weekly Review

Februaru 27, 1976

1. OYOS Reorganization See memorandum from Ed Webb to Doug Moore

which outlines the need for reorganization of agencies to complement budgetary actions taken by the vairous committees. In order to accomplish this action in time to agree with the final approval of the budget by Congress and to allow for a grace period of approximately 120 days (according to Ed Webb) The reorganization should be accomplished by July 1 to allow for sufficient time for Mayor's comments; and congressional lay-over period. Therefore, the suggested time frame is as follows (will be further refined):

Bill drafted and filed	- April 1
Public Hearings	- May 1-15
Committee Action	- c. June 1
First Reading (COuncil)	- June 1-7
Second Reading	- June 15-21

This would allow sufficient time for the Mayor's response, and for Congressional review prior to October 1 when the budget becomes effective.

Ken Natale, law school intern, is obtaining information on youth programs and models from other cities. He will be able to help with the drafting of the legislation.

As Ed Webb's memo states, reorganization does not have to precede the budgetary action, so that the timeframe is a feasible one. It is my understanding, given the shape of the programs in OYOS, that reorganization would not have to take place in the recreation department to accept the NPC's. However, whatever youth employment mechanisms would be developed would require legislation. David is looking into this area, I have also asked Ken Natale to contact several persons at the Manpower Department to get a firm understanding of the federal grants which come to the city for youth employment. I don't think that we should ask the executive branch to reorganize

Pat — Lets discuss this area two evenings — you can't possibly write everything down (Begin the report and all material with you) we meet about 7:30 p.m.? Approximate time and Dave's focus.

→ Lets discuss this — build upon what Dave has already learned in manpower area.

OYOS because, the executive branch will have an opportunity to react to our proposal and have input into the process. If we wait for the executive any longer, hell might freeze over.

I will have a list of organizations that will be of helpto us on Tuesday, when we meet. Ken has the list at this time but I will retreive it from him.

2. Elected Superintendent's Bill

We can report out this bill in about five weeks or so. I can assign one of the interns to research election of superintnedents in other jurisdictions so that we will have rationale for negatively reporting out this bill. (On the other hand, we may be convinced otherwise - if one has an open mind) I don't think that we should report this out at all if it is not a well researched report. I don't know of another committee negatively reporting out legislation, however, if we can get an intern to work on it, I think that it is an excellent precedent for the council. That way all legisltation would be addressed which has been introduced in the council.

3. Unit Budgeting

See David's report. I will have more to day on this when we get together.

4. I would like to take off the afternoon of the 10th, the 11th and the 12th of March...Two weeks hence.... for a trip out of town. Please advise. At the minimum, I would request the 12th.

good idea + project for intern

You spent so much other time on budget - I'm sure you need a rest! Have fun —

20 February 1976

Weekly Review

Pat - can you send in those agenda items on next Tuesday? Hate to ask but I have an extra load at my office these days

1. OYOS - Reorganization

One of the interns, KenNatale from GW Law School, is searching for youth program models from other cities, and trying to find some indicators of their sucess. Therefore, as we propose a legislative reorganization, we will have supportive data, etc. I also asked him to contact George W. Washnis for guidance in this effort. He (the intern) will have a preliminary report for me on Modday afternoon.

I will contact Lawton Chiles' office for copies of the material which the D.C. Senate Subcommittee had during the hearings this week, including the GAO report on OYOS. I got a copy of GAO's statement on Feb 19 from Bobbi Bowman (Post) which is included for your information.- See OYOS folder.

We have been receiveing a large number of phone calls about the Council's budget action in this area. - are you keeping a record? Please do.

2. Unit Budgeting

See David's report

3. Bill 1-53, Voluntary Services Bill

No change in status this week. We are still looking at the preliminaary pieces in the Council. From preliminary discussions with Government Operations Committee, it appears that we will be working with their committee on this matter; that is where Mr. Tuckers bill is assigned (similar bill for government-wide volunteer services).

4. Youth Employment

Since one of= the actions in the budgetary action on OYOS was in reference to the federal funds for youth employment

This is becoming confusing Pat - please plan out what you recommend we do in this area over the next month or two and provide deadline dates as well as a step-by-step process.

1. When is the proposed legislative reorganization due? Does it have to accompany the budget, etc.
2. Does it require reorganization of recreation, libraries, etc.
3. What happened to the resolution we drafted on the oversight citizens committee to take a hard look at the overall youth operation?
4. Do we recommend the reorganization or do we ask the Executive Branch to come in with 1st plan?
5. What youth association/organizations government offices can help us in this project? Names?

not yet - until we know more about the problems

programs and associated city funding. I think that we had better consider in depth the employment needs of youth and focus on this as a separate issue, although definitely with some overlap, from the OYOS issue. As a follow-up of the initial work that David did with respect to yout employment, we should continue to investigate what the city has done, what other cities have done, and introduce separate legislation establishing you employment services. I will have to talk with Ed Webb about our ability to legislate in these areas. What I could see happening is that in line with the reorganization of OYOS that a package of 2 or 3 separate bills would be introduced to address 1. Neighborhood Planning Councils; 2. Youth employment programs 3. Juvenile delinquency prevention programs.

5. Workload

I seem to continually overestimate our ability to clean up past odds and ends. We still are cleaning up the left-overs from the budget. We still have the correspondence from prior to the budget, although it will not be too many items. I do think that it is time to get together and assess where we are and develop a new set of goals for future action: this would include where we should be going with the Unit Budgeting, other administrative reforms which might go hand in hand with unit budgeting, staff assignments, etc. I would like to suggest lunch within the next week or two. At that time, I think we should also discuss timeframes for actions currently before us, I will develop a draft of a timetable for Unit budgeting and OYOS legislation, so that they don't get waylaid when we receive the D.C. School's legislative proposals. (which incidentially, I don't know when we will receive... as soon as I get some definite answers I will inform you.) — don't rush on this, Get other responsibilities planned out first

We already see!

— Dave was given this assignment a months ago & has been working indirectly on this issue. He should continue

— Lets see what the problems are first, you were once going to take a look at model legislation in this area (conferences or majors etc). It would be well worth your while to pick up model working legislation in this area from Calif, Oregon, Minn, Wash. We can't waste much time rediscovering wheels and none of us have sufficient personal knowledge to effectively draft such legislation.

— I'm sure you understand that unit budgeting takes 1st priority until it is completed so it can't possibly get waylaid —

— Two great minds! As under item I — do a step-by-step outline of how we get there from here under each item — providing target dates & lets

Weekly Review

14 February 1976

1. Bill 1-53 ,Voluntary Services Bill

The last remaining bill in the package intorduced by Sterling Tucker at the request of the school board was a bill to allow the Board a to accept free and voluntary services. The mayor has indicated that the executive branch will also be presenting legislation to allow the libraries to accept such services. Lou has begun very preliminary work on this . We should be able to report out within two months... assuming we determine that no public hearing is necessary.

2. Reorganization of OYOS

Ed WEbb has informed me that we will have to develop an reorganization plan for submission to the council re OYOS. Otherwise the budget action will not remain in effect. I still don't understand why he didn't tell us in the committee meeting and earlier while we were considering this. He indicated that it would be no problem. I think that we should work quickly to draft a reorganization plan, introduce it, have it referred to this committee and hold public hearings on the problems of youth porgrams in the city. I think that such hearings would be valuable. Some staff time would have to be devoted to exploring youth programs in other cities. George Washniss indicated that whenever we got around to this that he would have some refererals for me. (The information that he provided me with earlier is not really germane.) I think that this will be interesting. Several people have volunteered to help in thi effort.
Should we also pursue the task force approach, or merely start somewhat afresh, inlight of the budget actions?

3. Mayor;s 1976 Legislative Package

The mayor has forwarded his preliminary legislative package. Several of the bills, those effecting the library, about 4 of them, will be referred to this committee. Also we anticipa te receipt of the Board of Educ. legisla tive package within the month or so.

P.S. put stamps thru your files when you have time so info won't loose.

OK

This looks like a good idea! - you can use volunteers to collect info. George W. can give you contacts of most knowledgable people in Council of State gov'ts etc. We need to build on what is "working" - do any major cities have better youth programs for the cost than D.C. (Atlanta, Seattle, San Francisco etc.)

what do you expect this to include?

Weekly Review

Weekly Report - February 1976

1. Unit Budgeting See David's Report. Iplan to give some time next week to development of the position paper; I want to be involved with this effort, despite the fact that David will retain primary responsibility.

2. Budget: See attached documents. I will not be covering the Council Budget meetings this weekend. I do not antici pate any problems with our agencies. If any funds are deleted, they will still be meeting on Monady, at which time we can move for restoration. The only budget with serious problems for other Councilmembers is D.C. Public Schools. As I determine it, they need $211 m million to remain at this years level; that assumes that they conintue frozen for about 500 positions. If those positions were free to be filled, it would bring the mandatory total to about $214 million. There are a few areas where they can redirect positions, and close ~~xxxxxxx~~ school buildings which are undercapactiy for a savings overall of about $4 million.

3. Scope of Next Week's activities

At least one and a half days next week will be tied up in the last days of budgetland. I will need about one other day to sort out and transmit~~x~~ materials to the fofficial council files. There are a number of letters and other odds and ends which have backed-up that I plan to finish off. I will have developed a plan for the next few weeks, and legislative directions for your review next sunday.

Have you reviewed the Arnold and Porter study of the Council's powers yet? We should send to the Board of Education, etc. for their information. I will prepare transmittal letter.

Good. You should.

In terms of cumulative Sunday files, you can just take your budget package apart + place each section in a separate, As any policy matter (paper) is signed add to file with latest date on top. That way as you comment each Sunday we can refer to past actions/requests/promises etc.

— Good work on the budget — everyone — this year & you will be lucky to finish up this week.

— Julius probably won't review word for word — what does it mean? You might want to summarize in transmittal letter.

NB. Lou & I will probably be downstairs - call us on 4-8014 or 4-8089

Weekly Review

January 24, 1976

1. Unit Budgeting

See DAvid's report.

2. Child LAbor Law

A few technical amendments should be made to the bill, according to the Corp. Counsel. Ed webb says they can be made on the floor (very routine occurence). On the agenda for Tues. Begislative Session. Ed Webb and Mike Senger will take care of this as part as their regular council responsibility.

OK

3. OYOS Task Force Resolution

This will not be before the committee before the budget is over - (my suggestion) because of the plethora of other things we have to do in the next week. You asked that I report what effect the mayor's administrative changes had on this . I can honestly say that I do not know. The only change that he has made administratively is to appoint Joe Cole's former deputy assistant as the new Director of Recreation. This does not specifically impact on the operations of the Offfce of Youth Opportunity Services. According to the rumor mill, the mayor had originally planned to name Jimmy Jones', however, he was pressured publically by Nadine Winter, Polly Shackleton, and Willie Hardy at the Joe Cole Retitement Party to name Rumsey They nominated Rumsey in front of 500 people as Cole's replacement and stated that they knew that is who the mayor would obviously want; the mayor was caught in an awful bind because Cole stepped up and endorsed the nomination also. Ergo, Dr. Jones was left out in the cold. --- However, the mayor still has an administrative task force to investigate the possiblity of creating a "department of parks and recreation"; he could possibly, after such a reorganization, name Dr. Jones to head that NEW department. but that is still some time ahead of us.

the same deputy that we wrote to re- equal opportunity for women?

most interesting

4. Budget HEaring - Monday, January 26 2:00 PM

Lorraine has compiled the witness list. There will be official witnesses for the public library, department of recreation, and a few public witnesses for the recreation department. The Office of Youth Opportunity Services is scheduled last. Over 55 persons signed up to testify. I had originally asked Lorraine to group the witnesses by Neighborhood Planning Council to facilitate the hearing process. However, she had very serious conserns with doin g it that way because she felt that many of the witnesses signed up to complain about Dr. Jones' shop and that they specifically requested that they be listed separately. Please advise; my recommendation is that they be listed separately as Lorraine suggested, but that you ask them to testify in groups in the interests of time. That way, if anyone objects, they can still testify separately.???

All of the materials for the hearing are not yet developed -- e.g. the suggested questions, opening statement. They will be seveloped by Monday morning for review prior to the hearing. I am sorry, we are not dragging our feet, but in order to ask intelligent questions, the budget has to be scrutinized, and it is terribly obtuse.

5. Meetings for the week : Budget FY77 & 76

All committee mark-ups both 76 & 77 are due in at the close of business on Tuesday. As I discussed with you, we did not establish the schedule for turning in materials. Since there is a hearing Monday, and legislative session on Tuesday morning, the only time that a committee meeting could be scheduled was Tuesday afternoon-early. (1:30 p.m.)
The agenda is one item only - approval of fundinglevels for each of the agencies. It can't be done any other time, as the staff has to have the time to do the financial forms we are required to submit and have approved by the committee (see attached)

Mon January 26 — 2:00

Tues January 27 — a.m. legislative session

1:30 Ed. Comm. mtg.

Weekly Review

January 24, 1975

Another committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday at 10:30 AM to allow for committee approval of the narrative reports which will serve as the committee's rationale for the mark-ups, and will reflect any comments directives, etc. which the committee may want to include. I will develop suggestions.

I have attached Bob Williams summary of the council requirements for the budget for you to review. All of the items in it were discussed orally last week, however, he did not circulate it in writing until this week.

Thurs - Jan. 29 10:30

Weekly Review

January 17, 1976

1. Unit Budgeting

Dave touched bases with Ed Murphy, CSC, late this week. He has just about finished his work on the draft he s said. Next Sunday, definitely.

2. Child Labor Law

On the Agenda for Monday at the Committee of the Whole work session. We encountered some problems getting it typed properly on the computer in the typing pool. However, Lou has gotten all corrections taken care of. He will defend it at the Committee on the Whole session, rather than me since he is thoroughly familiar with it, I have told him not to be too lenghy in his presentation. He will have an outline from the report for you to read to highlight the major effects of the act. No difficulties should be involved.

3. FY 1976 Supplemental and FY 1977 Budgets

Hearing notices went out to mailing list. Letters were sent to all agency heads. Initial questions have been developed for some of the agencies for response prior to the hearings. See attached memos for schedule.

So far, (Saturday!) I have received only a detailed budget from the department of Recreation. No documents have yet been received for the other six agencies we have to review. I went over to meet with Ed Winner, Schools' budget man, friday afternoon, but we had to delay the meeting until early next week -- the schools are still developing a budget at the Mayor's level of funding and it won't be available until Tuesday.

** → Last Sunday we asked for your draft this Sunday — in whatever shape it was in! (Note 1/8/76 weekly review). this was an instruction not a choice or a matter of judgement... how do we make this form of request clear so it won't happen again? Why don't I double star **

→ He should go over his presentation with Julius in advance if possible.

— who developed the questions? Where are they? Julius must approve prior to there being sent anywhere.

** Please set up b/g files (on each Dept. under Committee review. Keep up to date with copies of significant info. & put on desk each sunday. Sandy does this with areas of major legislation — ask him about the procedure.

A As you stated, I will develop a report on the schools' budget, with some statistical justification, hopefully, recommending approval of the Board's request for $218 million, as opposed to the Mayor's mark of $206.8

Higher education has been gut by the Mayor pretty heavily already. Spaulding asked if we couldn't find a way to maintain the Mayor's request level without further cuts. He may request that we add funds. I dont know yet; he asked me to meet with his clerk early next week on that.

Recreation and Libraries are receiving only about a million dollar increase. Until I can review their detailed budgets, I imagine that represents only mandatory salary increases and staffing for new facilities.

this may be a good idea

OYOS - no increases except for salary increases. However, in the FY 76 supplemental that we have to review there is an increase for a youth assistance center. Several persons? have stated that these are a waste of money, since they merely provide services which are available in other agencies, e.g. medical care - 24 hours, employment information, drug information, etc. I plan to develop questions into these programs in order to see if they are really effective and worth the expense. Work with Dave in this area.

4. OYOS resolution - Youth Task Force

I suggest that, at the next meeting that we have, we report out the resolution so that it can be acted upon as soon as possible. I will include a appropriation in the resolution, as you and Spaulding agreed so that the group of citizens will be supported by one staff member or so for the six-month duration of the Task Force.

→ this is not the complete approach we want to use. We are not here to automatically support the School Board or the Mayor. We are here to hold them accountable (and fiscally responsible in this case) to the citizens. Your role is to point out to Julius, and the Committee, problems with the budget — in no way is your role that of unquestioning advocate for the School Board or Executive Branch. With your experience, we expect you to be able to objectively critique/critique the budget & make independent recommendations to Julius & support such positions.

[redacted] Julius doesn't want his feelings to prevent you from conducting objective research - feel free to support changes (& support) you think important.

→ Last week I asked how the mayor's internal adm. changes would impact on this effort. Please report.

5. Schedule for the Budget - PROPOSED

Committee meeting - January 22 (Thursday)
To discuss FY 1976 Supplemental and briefing for Hearing scheduled for January 23rd. Oyos resolution can be reported out at that time also. Willie Hardy will not be able to attend since she has a hearing on her budget all day on the 22nd.

Budget Hearing - January 23 (Friday)
Already scheduled by the Budget Committee . No change can be made.

Briefing - January 26th (Monday)
Briefing on the agencies to be reviewed later that same day. Should be either early in the morning or around 1:00, just prior to the hearing.

Budget Hearing - January 26 (Monday afternoon)
Already scheduled

Committee meeting - January 27th (Tuesday) Not if Council Mtg.
January 28th (Wednesday) L + 29th
To review staff reports on the budget. 27th would be schools and colleges and 28th would be Rec., OYOS, and Library. Budget committee has requested that all reports be completed 48 hours after a hearing. Both meetings should be fairly brief.

I have to submit a schedule of all meetings to Budget Committee and Bob Williams no later than Monday, Please advise what your opinion. I think that this will suffici

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→ In the future pls prepare each Sunday an outline (packet) of all meetings (plus copies of all documents to be used) scheduled for the following week. Such outlines should include:

1. Proposed Agenda
2. Questions for Julius to ask (if relevant)
3. Copies of papers to be distributed to other Council members/audience
4. List of those expected to be present (list of agencies/organizations if names are not available)

Schedule all meetings for Julius in the a.m. where possible

6. New Legislation in Committee

P.R. 1-132 and Bill 1-227 were introduced by Tucker at the request of the Mayor. One is a resolution classifiying positions for DCPS and the other is a bill allowing the Mayor, hereafter, to classify all positions for the Board of Education. The Board of Education has problems with the bill and is sending a letter to that effect. They afe going to request that we defer any consideration of the items until after the Budget and until they have reviewed the legislation.

—OK

1/8/76

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Budget Cont.=

I will arrange for our agencies to receive questions as soon as possible after receipt of the budget. I will also concur with Lou and Dave for potential questions. I have also begun a listing of the various correspondence which we will need to send out next week: invitations to agency heads, letters to selected members of the public, hearing notices, etc. Also Ihave begun to think about the hearings themselves, to get as much of the busy work out of the way to allow time for the meetings, analysis that must be done, etc. Dave, Sandy, Lou and I discussed the whole process today, so that we would be prepared to ehlp each other out during the next three weeks.

I will prepare a fact sheet on each of the agencies which will detail basics: total budget request, % of city budget, no. of positions, % increase, number of buildings, etc. so that you will be on top of things for the press and various meetings. I will cover all budget meetings with David, Lou and occassiona-ly Sandy as back-up. The time-frame this year is much shorter than last year. Also since this is our second trip to budgetland, we should do a significantly better job of analyzing the information and odocumenting our report. The Public Schools will be cooperative in assisting us with documentation for their budgets; the colleges will also. I don't anticipate any problems with the Library, of Recreation Department. Oyos?

Gwen Kinbrough has offerred her services as a

— Remember Dave's priority is the unit budgeting bill. We want to go into a budget/accounting/planning process in the future ... right now there is no way to know what has been accomplished with the money — or the quality of the product.

— pls give us a draft of the format of the fact sheets next Sunday + one sample. Julius may want to change since this will become his briefing format. Julius says not to attend budget meetings unless directly related to youth/education or adm. requirements. Don't waste your time.

— Sometimes we need a person who knows accounting + budgetary process but not the schools — they ask better questions, since those who come from the

volunteer through the budget process, as much as she can spare. She was one of the Superintendent Executive Assistants and knows the budget of D.C. Schools thoroughly. She also did budgetary analysis for the National Urban Coalition prior to that; she sould be very helpful.

4. Resolution Ho-noring Joeseph Cole

The resolution is on the agenda of Tuesday's legislative Session. A plaque will be presented to him at the same time - with a copy of the resolution. He will be present.

I am attending the Retirement Honoring luncheon for him on Saturday, since he was one of our agency heads. Resolution attached.

5. Youth Task force -

system tend to overlook or give excuses for.... however, if she will be helpful to you, be my guest!

How has mayor's internal admin. affected this resolution

Major Issues

July 11, 1975

1. Report on Public Hearings

Although I had promised a draft of the report on the hearings by Sunday, it is not yet complete. (this was very impt. to Julius & should have taken precedence over this report) Lou and I are analyzing the suggestions and the frequency of specific proposals. The draft will be completed by Monday afternoon. While we have been compiling the report, we have kept in mind your request for specific legislative proposals; we have developed an idea for a bill which we are doing some minor research on; we would like to discuss in detail... basically allowing Board of Education more autonomy and freedom in handling its own budget, procurement, etc. following citywide procedures. It includes making an omnibus education package to include: school level budgeting and program budgeting, equalization, removing administrative interference of the Mayor in Board/ administrative operations, designating proceudres while freeing administrative strictures facing schools, and detailed annual reporting of the board to the Council, Mayor and citizenry (specifying legislatively the specific information to be provided e.g., test scores, school budgets, etc.) to answer complaints of lack of accountability.

2. Monthly ERYA Committee Meeting

See agenda. We should present public hearing report and other pertinent materials for Committee discussion, reaction, and approval so that it can be presented to Council for action on either 7/21 or 7/28 athe Committee of the Whole session.

3. FY 1976 Budget

Budget still has not gone to President/OMB; hearings on the hill are expected in September; passage by Congress is anticipated by Mid-December. A few problems have emerged in the final version of the budget act: (a.) because of late passage of the act, funding of new positions will be reduced, saving 5.8 million (will not affect Finance and revenue package). (b.) FCC and WTII have requested permission to shift funds within the same overall amount allocated, to handle impact of the Council's cuts. (c.) DCPS has $392,000 from FY75 left over in supply and equipment funds because Mayor wouldn't authorize its expenditure; necessity of amending act to allow them to carry over funds to FY76.

Budget Committee meets monday. These minor changes will probably be introduced at the Legislative Session Tuesday Night. Recommendation: Approval.

4. University Bill

Spaulding will introduce the University Bill for first reading on Tuesday (7/15/75). He plans to revert to earlier edition of the Bill. Suggested amendments to be introduced:

a. Establishment of University System with discrete academic institutions and 2 year comprehensive community college and vocational/technical institute.
b. Requiring all trustees to reside in D.C. with the exception of Alumni members (who are to be named by Alumni Assoc.)
c. Requiring representative geographical distribution of the trustees (e.g. one from each ward).
d. Allowing Council members participation in nominating process/ as opposed to merely ratifying Mayor's nominees.

There may be a move to table the bill and re-refer it jointly to our committee and Government Operations (since it entails reorganization). If this occurs, we can handle it because there are a large number of interested persons who could research it for us.

June 4, 1976
DAVID F. SMITH

Weekly Review

UNIT BUDGETING- See Pat's report.

SMOKING- I sent the enclosed memo and notified appropriate constituents.

STATEHOOD- I was informed by Sterling Tucker that I will be told the status of the bill Monday when his committee clerk returns from leave. Julius will be informed of any party meetings

OK

OYOS- Roundtable June 17th. See Pat's report.

Volunteer Bill- I sent the attached memo; the bill will no longer be the responsibility of our committee if the provisions of the memo are complied with.

Council of the District of Columbia
Memorandum

District Building, 14th and E Streets, N.W. 20004 Fifth Floor 724-8000

To Rev. Jerry Moore, Chairman, Committee on Transportation and Environment

From Julius W. Hobson, Councilman at Large

Date June 1, 1976

Subject D.C. Clean Indoor Air Act

Would you please advise me on the status of the D.C. Clean Indoor Air Act referred to your Committee on November 4, 1975? I would like to see the bill considered before the August recess and would appreciate any reassurance that you could give me that this will be possible. I am sure you are aware there is considerable community interest in this bill.

Council of the District of Columbia
Memorandum

City Hall, 14th and E Streets, N.W. 20004 Fifth Floor 638-2223 or Government Code 137-3806

To Bruce C. French, Committee Clerk, Committee on Government Operations

From Pat Miner, Committee Clerk, Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs

Date 4 June 1976

Subject Voluntary Services Act

A bill to authorize the Board of Education of the District of Columbia to accept and use free and voluntary services is pending before the Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs.

The Committee on Government Operations has before it a more encompassing bill that provides for the use of volunteers by the District of Columbia Government.

Liaison between the two committees has indicated a willingness on the part of the Government Operations Committee to incorporate the specific provisions of the bill presently before the ERYA Committee.

The attached bill is submitted to the Committee on Government Operations for that purpose.

A BILL

Bill No. 1-53

In the Council of the District of Columbia

March 18, 1975

Councilmember Tucker introduced the following bill which was referred to the Committee on Education, Recreation & Youth Affairs

To authorize the Board of Education of the District of Columbia to accept and use free and voluntary services, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Council of the District of Columbia,

That this act may be cited as the "Board of Education Voluntary Services Act".

Sec. 2. Section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the use of public school buildings and grounds in the District of Columbia", approved March 4, 1915, (D.C. Code, sec. 31-802) is repealed.

Sec. 3. The Board of Education of the District of Columbia is authorized to accept and use free and voluntary services to assist in the conduct of public schools, programs, and other activities, and to make regulations to carry out the intent and purposes of this section, except that this section shall not be construed as authorizing the allocation or expenditure of regularly appropriated funds for compensation for

voluntary services, unless otherwise authorized by law. Teachers and other employees of the Board of Education shall not be required or compelled to perform any such services or solicited to make any contribution for such purposes.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect on and after the end of the thirty day period provided for Congressional review of acts of the Council of the District of Columbia in section 602(c) of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act.

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Mr. Barry
Sterling Tucker

A BILL

1-243

In the Council of the District of Columbia

February 4, 1976

Chairman Tucker introduced the following bill which was referred to the Committee on the Government Operations.

To provide for the use of volunteers by the District of Columbia Government.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "Volunteers Services Act of 1976".

Sec. 2. The Act of July 7, 1898, (30 Stat. 666) (D.C. Code, sec. 1-215), prohibiting volunteer services for the District of Columbia Government, is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall become effective according to the provisions of section 602(c) of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act.

§ 1-215. Volunteer services not to be accepted for government of District of Columbia.

After July 7, 1898, the Commissioner of the District of Columbia shall not accept volunteer service for the government of the District of Columbia or employ personal services in excess of that authorized by law except in cases of sudden emergency involving the loss of human life or the destruction of property. (July 7, 1898, 30 Stat. 666, ch. 571.)

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS TO COMMISSIONER

See § 401 of Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1967, eff. Nov. 3, 1967, set out in the appendix to title 1. See also §§ 301 and 503 of the Plan.

MEDICAL SERVICES

Act June 12, 1940, 54 Stat. 307, ch. 333, § 1, making appropriations for the government of the District, provided as follows: "The Commissioners may without creating any obligation for the payment of money on account thereof, accept such volunteer services as they may deem expedient in connection with the establishment and maintenance of the medical services herein provided for" (in the health department).

Act July 15, 1939, 53 Stat. 1021, 1022, ch. 281, § 1, contained specific similar provisions for the maintenance of dispensaries, nursing service, and maternal and child health service.

CROSS REFERENCES

Recreation program, see § 8-209.

Voluntary aid to board of public welfare in the placement and supervision of children under its care, see § 3-119.

Voluntary medical services for public charitable institutions, see § 32-1006.

Voluntary services during war, see § 6-1007.

Voluntary services in public schools authorized, see § 31-802.

Volunteer aid in conducting play grounds, see § 8-132.

§ 1-216. Offices, abolition or consolidation—Reduction of employees—Appointments to and removal from office.

The Commissioner of the District of Columbia is hereby authorized to abolish any office, to consolidate two or more offices, reduce the number of employees, remove from office, and make appointments to any office under him authorized by law. (June 11, 1878, 20 Stat. 104, ch. 180, § 3.)

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TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Reorganization Order No. 3 of the Board of Commissioners dated Aug. 28, 1952, and effective Sept. 2, 1952, established in the government of the District of Columbia under the direction and control of the Board of Commissioners, a Department of General Administration headed by a director. The order transferred to the Director of General Administration all of the functions and positions of the District Personnel Board. Reorganization Order No. 21 of the Board dated Nov. 20, 1952, established a Personnel Office in the Department of General Administration and provided that the functions of that office would encompass all the personnel functions previously vested in the Board of Commissioners by law or transferred to the Board by Reorganization Plan No. 5 of 1952. The plan and the orders are set out in the Appendix to this title.

Reorganization Order No. 40 of the Board of Commissioners dated June 23, 1953, established the Executive Office of the Board of Commissioners under the direction and control of the Board of Commissioners to provide special and clerical assistance to the Board. The order transfered to the new Executive Office all of the functions and positions of the previously existing Executive Office of the Board of Commissioners which the order abolished. This order was issued pursuant to Reorganization Plan No. 5 of 1952. The order and plan are set out in the Appendix to this title.

The above-cited Reorganization Orders were revoked by Organization Order No. 2 of the Commissioner dated Dec. 13, 1967 (set out in the Appendix to this title), which established the Executive Office of the Commissioner for the purpose of providing such managerial, budgetary, personnel, secretarial, informational and special assistance as the Commissioner may require in the administration of the Government of the District of Columbia. Certain functions set forth in this Order subsequently were transferred by Commissioner's Order Nos. 69-96, 71-270, and 71-307, set out as Organization Actions in the Appendix to this title, and by Organization Order No. 30.

ESTABLISHMENT OF OTHER NEW OFFICES

Section 303 of Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1967 provided: There are hereby established in the Corporation so many agencies and offices, with such names or titles, as the Commissioner shall from time to time determine. The said offices shall be filled by appointment by, or under the authority of, the Commissioner. Each officer so appointed shall perform the functions delegated or otherwise assigned to him in pursuance of this reorganization plan and shall receive compensation to be fixed in accordance with the classification laws as amended from time to time.

LIMITATION ON EMPLOYMENT DURING FISCAL YEAR 1973

Section 17 of the District of Columbia Appropriation Act, 1973 (Act July 10, 1972, Pub. L. 92-344, 86 Stat. 456), provided:

"Appropriations in this Act shall not be available, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1973, for the compensation of any person appointed—

"(1) as a full-time employee to a permanent, authorized position in the government of the District of Columbia during any month when the number of such employees is greater than 39,619; or

"(2) as a temporary or part-time employee in the government of the District of Columbia during any month in which the number of such employees exceeds the number of such employees for the same month of the preceding fiscal year except temporary employees provided for Courts and Department of Corrections in this Act."

SIMILAR PROVISIONS

Similar limitations on employment were contained in the following prior Acts:

1972—Dec. 15, 1971, Pub. L. 92-196, § 707, 85 Stat. 658.

1970—Oct. 31, 1969, Pub. L. 91-106, § 802, 83 Stat. 181.

REORGANIZATION OF MUNICIPAL AGENCIES

Act June 20, 1949, 63 Stat. 203, ch. 226, as amended (5 U.S.C. former §§ 133z to 133z-15), provided for the reorganization of Government agencies, including any and all parts of the municipal government of the District of Columbia, by means of "Reorganization Plans" prepared by the President of the United States and transmitted to Congress for its approval. Such act was repealed by act Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 632, Pub. L. 89-554, § 8(a), and is now covered by 5 U.S.C. § 901 et seq.

CROSS REFERENCES

Conviction of certain crimes, failure to account, ineligible to hold public office, see § 1-318.

Discriminatory practices prohibited, see 42 U.S.C. 2000e-16.

Eligibility for employment, see § 1-320.

Employment authority, generally, see 5 U.S.C. § 3101.

Employment of blind or physically disabled persons, discrimination prohibited, see § 6-1504.

Exemption from military service, see § 30-102.

Forfeiture of position for violation of Money Lenders Law, see § 26-605.

General limitations on power of Commissioner, see § 1-801 and note.

Power to grant leave of absences to employees, see §§ 1-313, 1-314.

Removals, generally, see 5 U.S.C. § 7501 et seq.

Reorganization of municipal agencies, see Appendix to this title.

Suspension from office, see § 1-244.

Pat Miner
June 4, 1976

Weekly Review

see folders for updated info on agenda

1. Unit Budgeting-

Draft report will be on your desk next Sunday. I do not yet have a fiscal impact statement from the Executive Branch, but I will get the information next week. As he indicated at the last committee meeting, Spaulding wants to set up a joint meeting of our committee and his committee to discuss the role of the computer in educational settings- both under the Board of Education and the Board of Trustees of the University. You agreed and he sees that meeting as necessarily preceeding reporting out unit budgeting; he endorses the concept he has said, but wishes further discussion on hte matter.

Let's set up the meeting for Spaulding as soon as possible!

Re format for the data. I will report it out as you wish, ~~and~~ unchanged. However, I am still mulling over in my mind the possibility of modifying it, ~~maintaining~~ maintaining the same ~~as~~ accounting codes, but only the major headings.This is based on the concerns of the Mayor's budget folks and the school's budget folks. That would not, however, force automation of the records necessarily.

2. P.R. 1-132 Teacher Classification Resolution

Have received letter from Vince Reed requesting our action. Will be filed for action at the next work session of the Council - in about two weeks. Filing deadline for Monday Committee of the Whole session had passed when the response was received.

3. Bill 1-278 Parental Responsibility

So far, Cleo reports fairly good response for testifying although the hearing is three weeks away. Mostly anti-curfew persons have been calling in.

4. Bill 1-307 OYOS reorgranization

Rountable Discussion set on this for June 17th as wex had previously discussed. Should be a little hectic because it affects community, but I anticipate no major problems. The Neighborhood Planning Council Persons will be critical, but they will go along with the idea.

5. Teachers Pay Raise Emergency Act

The emergency pay raise act will expire on June 10, 1976 therefore leaving the pay raise in limbo again. Ed Webb suggests that you send a letter to both the Board and Union asking if their has been any resolution of the issues between them and that we are considering final action. If you concur, I will draft the letters - or alternately- one to the Board of Education alone. Please advise. Emergency action may be necessary for continuance, but the same bill would be utilized and also same report. I personally would send a letter to the Board and copies to other committee members.

6. Use of computers - DCPS

Arrington Dixon called me because he wanted me to raise the following xxxxxxx concern with you. The public schools are planning to purchase a computer of IBM type. FCC is giving up a computer of IBM type, slightly less sophisticate. He thinks that DCPS should pick up that one cheaper. The other school districts in neighboring jurisdictions have the simpler computer and have already developed data packages which are compatible with some federal reporting requirements etc. He feels that we could purchase the smaller computer and xxxx buy the data packages from another school system and save time and money. He doesn't want to get into our affairs, but thought that you should know. Spaulding has mentioned the same issue and thinks that the schools should buy the xxx biggest computer so that they could do

We do not mind Dixon's help in this matter

anything? possibly hook up to university (??)

Cleo L. Jollivette
May 28, 1976

Weekly Review

1. OYOS REORGANIZATION BILL

It has been filed with the Secretary to the Council for referral to our Committee for action. I sent letter to Evie Washington with copies to NpC's (Chairmen) thanking them for their input, and a mention of a roundtable to discuss in detail the OYOs reorganization with a tentative date of June 17th; also FYI letter to Bill Rumsey with a copy of bill.

Good

2. P.R. 1-132 TEACHER CLASSIFICATION RESOLUTION

I had intended to file this week for the Committee of the Whole work session on June 7th, however, I'm still awaiting confirmation letter for this action from the School Board. (Mr. Spaulding requested memo from Board because this action was initiated under former administration, and he wanted assurance that this was in keeping with the current Board's sentiments.) I was given the impression that this letter would be a perfunctory matter, however, it has proved otherwise.

OK

3. BILL 1-278 PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY

The public hearing notice has been filed for June 22nd and I'm now in the process of developing a witness list. I have received numerous calls this week concerning the curfew, and I'm certain that we'll be able to kill this in Committee after the hearing.

Good!

Happy Birthday Julius!

Thanks

Pat Miner
May 21 1976

Weekly Review

1. Unit Budgeting

No new action has been initiated. I will schedule a meeting as outlined by Mr. Spaulding to discuss automated data process ing. I believe that this will clarify many points for the committee and help us in the rationale for reporting out the resolution. The change that I would propose for the charts is primarily to reduce the number of categories to the main object classes- this would still retain the accounting codes of the city but require that they display less detail for each school. We could amend the resolution to state that the sub-object accounting codes should be available - on a automated retrieval basis - by a certain date. I will schedule a meeting with the Budget Analyst from the Mayor as soon as I return to get a full statement of their position for inclusion in the report on the resolution. I am positive that we can report it out before the August recess.... probably in late June.

2. Oyos Reorganization Bill

To be ~~Has been~~ filed with the Secretary for referral to committee for its action. I will schedule a roundtable for June 17th tentatively to discuss the OYOS reorganization in detail: hopefully we could report out the reorganization bill at our regular June meeting - June 24th. David will present to Julius for signature & filing on Monday —

3. OTher activites

a. Position reclassification resolution: letter requested from the superintendent of schools to accompany our committee action. This will be scheduled for the Committee of the Whole work session on June 7th. for Council action June 15th.

b. Reprogramming Request: I have requested addition al information on thie so that we can report it

? what kind of help do we need?

show me when you are ready. Does Dave agree

don't necessarily include in the report— lets. 1st see what they have to say. Be sure to let us see draft copy of report before you give to anyone.

OK

OK

out of Committee as soon as I return. It will probably require emergency action to schedule it for Council approval. but the action on reprogrammings is done in Committee of the Whole. rather tahn by official action of the Council.

c. Parental Responsibility Act Public Hearing notice approved. I have instructed Cleo to do developmental work with ACLU etcl so that we will have a lot of negative substative testimony at the hearing - June 22nd. This does not mean that we have to report the bill out at any particular time.... the hearing may be sufficient to kill it.k — OK

4. Leave ETC

I will be on leave this week and will return immediately after memorial day. David and Cleo will be in attendance all of next week. Sandy is scheduled for the 28th (Friday) to be off - David will be here. Lorraine may be working somewhat abbreviated hours next week - she has had some trouble with high blood pressure.

Should I instruct Cleo and David to prepare a weekly report for Memorial Weekend? Since Sandy and I will not be here on Friday. they will be the only ones here to prepare it next week. — yes please

5. ~~RW~~ FY 1976 Budget

The two positions slated for this committee have been denied by the House District ~~Committee~~ Subcommittee on Appropriations. This means that david's GS -11 and the GS- 7 have been cut. All committee support staff was deleted. Telegram was sent to Senate Subcommittee (Chiles) regesting restoration. If this action takes place you will have only one staff member (me) and if CETA is terminated no extra, — WOW! Anything else we can do!

TO: Council Members

FROM: Lynn Scholz, Clerk, Committee on Budget

DATE: May 12, 1976

RE: Budget Reductions in the House Sub-Committee on District Appropriations.

For your information, the following outline of all reductions to the FY-'76 District Budget request in the House Sub-Committee is provided:

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR:

Ceremonial expenses	$ 15.0
Dues	20.0
Internation.Visitors Committee	15.0
Commiss. on the Arts	100.0

(N.B. All funds requested for the Commission on Aging, including the nutrition program and the local matching funds for the Office were approved.)

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (Attached Mark-Up Sheet)

GS-12 Computer Prog,	10.1 and 1 position
GS-11 Committee Staff	84.4 and 10 "
GS-9 & 8 Support Staff	27.3 and 3 "
GS-7 Committee Support	34.4 and 6 "
GS-4 Clerk	4.1 and 1 "
GS-8-6 Support Staff	35.7 and 3 "
Staff Sub-Total	196.0 & 24 positions
Incres'd Cost Transport.	7.0
Supplies	0.7
Renov. Off. Space	20.0
Total	223.7 and 24 positions

(It would appear that the intention of the Sub-Committee was to approve only those levels of staffing formerly approved in the reprogramming that enabled the Council to operate right after the swearing in. One ex eption to this is the approval of the three Municipal Code Clerks, requested as new positions.)

D.C. AUDITOR

Total request approved.

OFF. OF THE SECRETARY

D.C. Register Positions $ 11.0 and 3 positions
(Positions not directly funded in FY-'77.)

OFF. BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

Financial Operations $ 58.0 and 9 positions
Computer Services 52.0 and 8 "

(Positions not approved in FY-'76 were those that the Council did not fund directly in FY-'77.)

MUNICIPAL PLANNING OFF.

Various Travel, Oth. Serv. Equip., Supplies $ 9.2

Third Party Custody Prog. 100.0

LEGISLATION OFF.

Workload 29.4 and 4 positions

(Only one of these positions was unfunded in FY-'77.)

OFF. OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Space rental for new positions 9.0

Other Serv. for data processing 7.0

OFF. OF BICENTENNIAL PROGRAMS

Various Programs $ 519.0

(Only Increases of $200.0 for the Kingman Island Development were approved in the budget in addition to approval of the base budget of $ 150.0)

DEPT. OF FINANCE AND REVENUE

Budget approved in total. Positions which were not funded directly in the FY-'77 Budget were <u>not</u> reduced because of the statuatory nature of their need.

OFF. OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL

$ 200.0 was added to the request of this agency for Settlement of Claims and Suits. There appears to be some misunderstanding on this addition because the funds still do not appear to be needed for FY-'76.

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Municipal Ref. Librarian	$ 2.8 and 1 position

MINIMUM WAGE AND INDUSTRIAL SAFETY

New Programmers and Assoc. Op. Increases (Positions not funded in FY_'77.)	$ 28.9 and 3 positions

DEPT. OF INSURANCE

Improved Staffing (Not funded in FY-'77.)	$ 4.4 and 2 positions

BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND ETHICS

Elections Planning	24.9 and 7 positions
Public Information	14.3 and 5 positions
Overtime	3.0
Total	42.2 and 12 "

METROBUS SUBSIDY

Approved in full.

PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICE

Workload: Staff Attnys	7.4 and 3 positions

BAIL AGENCY

Street Invest. Unit	$ 12.6 and 7 positions

(These positions were annualized in FY-'77, although there is some indication that the Committee thought these were unfunded.)

PUBLIC SAFETY - BICENTENNIAL SERVICES

Added to the Budget was $ 3,000,000 not previously requested. It is primarily intended for the Metro. Police Dept.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Elementary Education	$ 350.0
Central Services: Facilities Planning Div.	297.1 and 5 positions

(The reduction to the elementary education base is in personnel services, a one-time reduction that schools agreed to save.)

D.C. TEACHERS COLLEGE

Bookstore	$ 97.2

FEDERAL CITY COLLEGE

Continuing Education	7 positions (no funds were requested.)
Graduate Faculty	3 positions (no funds requested.)

WASHINGTON TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

Academic Support: Computer Rental	65.0

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Part-time Board Rate Position	$ 2.0

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

ED&S:	Medical Examiner Bldg. Staff	$ 17.5 and no positions
PAA:	Effective Date Payment Level	876.1 (Effective date moved back to July 1, Funds transferred to Transition Quarter.)
SRA:	Approved in full	
MHA:	Forensic Psychia.	11.6 and 2 positions
	Gay V.D. Clinic	50.0 (N.B. LEAD Clinic funds approved.)
CHHA:	Approved in Full	
NTA:	Approved in Full	

DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION

Kilowatt Limitation	$ 980.0

CAPITAL OUTLAY

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Langdon Elementary	$ 1,618.6
Miner Elementary	$ 246.9
Kingsman Elementary	$ 325.2
Hendley Elementary	$ 365.4
Terrell Jr. High	$ 340.2
Perry-Simmons Elementary	$ 7,467.5

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Chillum Branch	$ 1,579.7

DEPT. OF RECREATION

Farfax Center	$ 257.5
Dakota Playground	$ 713.3
Palisades Center	$ 951.1
Watts Center	$ 1,363.2
Shapiro Tract	$ 2,094.0

FIRE DEPT.

Engine Co. 11	$ 1,755.5

DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION

Street Lighting and Communication Extensions	$ 100.0

DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Refuse Transport and Conversion System	$ 800.0
Advance of Paving and Other Miscellaneous Construction	$ 165.0
Service Sewer Extension	$ 215.0

DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (con't)

Water Service Extension and Fire Hydrants	$ 425.0
Trunck and Secondary Water Mains	$ 75.0

OFFICE OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

Municipal Office Building Preliminary Study	$ 100.0

Only those agencies which sustained cuts have been listed.

Excellent Report & Analysis
Congratulations to all

Pat Miner
May 14, 1976

Weekly Review

Pat - pay attention to what we have said about report. You have no authority to vary format without our O.K.

1. Unit Budgeting

Meeting on Thursday: described by ~~Vincent~~ Vince Reed (on WTOP no less) as the most significant meeting he had attended on Education with policy makers. The major criticisms of the resolution were: (1) time frame is too short; (2) forms too complex; (3) perhaps several reporting mechanisms need to be developed to array the same information; (4) need is for the fiscal automomy of the Board of Education, rather than improved reporting (stated by Board of Ed. members)- variation on that same theme was a proposal by several board members that we make the school system a model for the city in terms of readily available data and good management system.

Reaction: (1) Time frame should be altered somewhat, but not too drastically because if they don't start, they may never do it. (2) a working committee will be formed to alter the reporting format - Frank Cush, Mayor's Office of Budget and Management volunteered to help, Ed Winner will provide a lot of assistance and maybe the Department of Research and Evaluation will help identify the student data which should be reported. (An interesting and shocking sideline is that the public schools do not compute attendence indicators on a school by school basis at any time of year, except informally in each school) (3) Out of the working group, we may come up with several reporting mechanisms: e.g., repairs and maintenance provided by Starobin's office would be reported as a separate report, by school, number of items to be reported on per school will be reduced to 15-20 dollar amounts (main object accounting classes most probably); (4) several peuople spoke cogently about this point. Bardyl pointed out the legislative history of the home rule charter specifically wanted centralized accounting for the entire city. Others pointed out the wisdom of centralized clean and accurate records which would serve the needs of a vvariety of users. Vince Reed said to me informally after the meeting that he did not want to be a model, that they had enough problems and monday shortages without adding the confusion of fiscal autonomy at this point in hsitory and that he felt the system would be well served

We still want to ask for info even if it isn't currently available

Good point!

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① OK

② + ③ no new reporting system. We need to use existing reporting system (however bad or complex it is) or we can never go back and confirm data. This is a trap. If you have too many stages of data manipulation it report becomes meaningless. Stick with existing system — until or unless you can convince us otherwise!

③ I question this

④ Not the current issue. Issue for another bill if they want to bother.

We want to keep those summary sheets simple and the raw data in the same format as the existing D.C. accounting system. Otherwise the report will simply become another "report" with little or no credibility. In time we hope the whole system will change.

This is our position and one we all need do promote

be the approach we are using. Ed Winner and Vince both stressed in the meeting and afterwards to me that it was critical to show that it is the Mayor's responsibility to provide the right kind of accounting information to agencies on a timely basis.

correct, this is our approach and the intent of home rule. That is why we must use mayor's forms

We have work to do in the development of forms, rationale for addressing the resolution at the mayor, legislative history of related acts, and we might want to get Ed Webb to state, in writing for us that we can use the resolution approach. (The issue of whether or not the resolution approach was a feasible and appropriate one was mentioned by several persons [illegible], Board's Counsel, spoke against the resolution approach: Bardyl spoke in favor of it; Mike Gaffney Lawyer's Committee on Civil Rights (he's the one doing the DC Citizens report) agreed in substance with Bardyl, although he felt we should get the formal opinion of our own General Counsel. Time frame for reporting out of committee: not terribly clear but I would guess late June or EArly July.

We want to know exactly what you want to change and why before you change anything.

Get Ed to discuss with Bardyl and take a position in writing. We want to use the resolution approach for reasons we have discussed (even if it is overturned later). Tell Ed. It is silly to have to go to Congress for D.C. data — + embarrassing.

2. OYOS reorganization

We have received input from the Council of NPC Chairmen on our legislation- some of which is unworkable, although I feel that our protections in the bill are in the same direction. Mike Senger, legislative Counsel has the bill now for form and legality and Ed Webb says that we should introduce as soon as Mike is through doctoring it up - other changes can come later. Ed felt the bill was fine. At this point, all I have is a better draft.

We knew that would be true.

Good

I think that we should schedule a roundtable for second week in June and report out at our June meeting of the committe.

OK.

3. Parental Repsonsibility Bill

Hearing ~~hearing~~ scheduled for June 22. Cleo will do the work necessary, under my auspices, to get out the civil libitarians in full force. There have been a number of phone calls asking

Good

May 8, 1976
Pat Miner

Weekly Review

1. Unit Budgeting

May 13

Meeting is scheduled for next Thursday at 10:00 am to discuss unit budgeting in detail. Already invited are: Superintendent, Board of Education, Budget Director, Mayors budget analyst, D.C. Citizens for Better etc., Congress of Parents and Teachers, Bardyl Tirana (who will be present), etc. I will probably invite a few others who represent significant interests. Letters will go out on Monday -- David arranged via telephone on Friday. Some preliminary comments have been received from staff in the city and school's budget offices - ther e will be criticisms of the format adn reporting schedules, which will serve as good refinements.

how will they reach people in time? Will you hand deliver? Waste of staff time - might have sent mailgrams friday.

2. OYOS Reorganization

As a result of the meeting on Friday, we will be receiving input from the Neighborhood Planning Councils. The bill , as I have initially drafted it, says approximately anything that they might suggest. The bill detials on ly the changes in the budget, as well as including a few management and community participation safeguards. (see attached) Ed Webb will be reviewing and helping me refine on Monday and Tuesday.

3. Parental Responsibility Bill-

I have assigned Cleo the task of setting up a public hearing sometime in late June. We should be able to report out prior to summer recess.

don't rush on this

4. Volunteer Services Bill for D.C. Public Schools

This is the bill referred to our committee from the Board of Ed. last year -- and the only thing in thier legislative package we have not yet reported out. We were waiting comments from the Executive. A similar has been assigned to government operation committee for all agencies and employees. I have discussed with Bruce French, Committee Clerk for Arrington; I have asked David to coordinate out report with governemnt operations so that we can report out at one time and mrege bills- to allow general volunteer services in all agencies where is it practible.

good!

5. Accountability Bill

I have been gathering sample bills from other jurisdaictions which address the issue of accountability in terms of performance of students in the public schools. I have provided a copy of a good law from Florida. I want to draft one in the next month/ for introduction. It would go further than the Florida law in that it would require, not only the Board of Education setting ~~x~~ goals and objectives, and testing children, but also wit would require annual reporting on the progress of the schools - on a school-by-school basis.

sounds good

6. Correspondende

a. Board of Education

We have receivd a reprogramming reqeust from the Baard of EEducation which will have to be acted upon in the next two weeks in order to allow them to reprogram the monies prior to the end of the fiscal year. Attached is the correspondence requesting the action.

go ahead if you agree - let us know if there are problems

b. Department of Recreation

We have received an anknowledgement from Bill Rumsey of our letter with regard to his ideas fot the reorganization of OYOS. I presume his detailed answer will be forthcoming.

push on this in case it needs to be considered as part of the bill.

7. Library Hours

In response to inquiries from other Council staff, David asked the libraries if it was true that they are closing all branch libraries, except the central M.L.King Library, for the summer. It is true. I do not know the beginning and end dates of the change. I gather from what David ~~xxxxx~~ said, that it is to save money for energy, and overtime pay on Saturdays. Any recommended formal action - e.g., letter?

What do you think, Is it justified. Is there any study on when exactly the most people use the library.

DAVID F. SMITH
April 30,1976

Weekly Review

STATEHOOD- I attended the hearing Monday. My overall impression is one of disappointment. There were many witnesses with excellent testimony however few councilmembers attended, there was no press coverage and the hearings did not generate any significant reactions. I guess there is going to be a lengthy incubation period for this legislation before it captures the minds of those interested in true self-determination. An optimistic note- I'm pretty sure that the bill will pass the council and that's all that really matters. I will stay on top.

— how can we generate more press interets.

SMOKING- I attended 2 days and 1 night of hearings. Testimony was excellent though heated and emotional at times It's clear that strong forces and groups on both sides will continue the debate and to influence councilmembers until the bill is finally considered. I attached the press coverage. I think our efforts should be directed toward the other councilmembers. Now that the bill has entered the public arena it has enough momentum of its own to remain visible as an issue of public concern.

UNIT BUDGETING- We will schedule a roundtable discussion as suggested. I have attached an article that I hope you have time to read.

"Survival Skills"/Achievement Levels- Please review the attached information; I would like to begin formulating a position/bill on the subjects.

1. Unit Budgeting
Frank Cush, the Mayor's chief budget analyst on the schools, told me that the executive branch was meeting on this resolution and that he would inform me as to their thoughts and discussion. The school board is scheduled to discuss this in the very near future. Our roundtable discussion will follow closely with the interest that has built up on it.

2. Board Action to Close the Schools for Three Weeks in FY77
I have attached a copy of the motion which the Board adopte last week to close the schools for three weeks in December 1976 to save the approximate $11. million cut imposed by the Council. There is no legal requirement in the D.C. Code which specifices the number of days required for school to be in session; the only regulation is contained in the Board of Education's rules, which they can waive. They may be in trouble interms of compliance with grant terms for federal grants, and thereby lose a small portion of mondy that way. The Middle States Accreditation probably doesn't have a standard on this either, because private schools have shorter years usually. According to the general cousel of the School Board, it is primarily a political ploy to show how broke they are. Several persons have called in to complain and ask what Julius' position is and if the Council is compemplating action.

3. OYOS
Have been working on this. Will be complete this week as I discussed with Julius earlier in the week. Sandy and David can;t be too much help because there is to much history involved to be caught up on to be effective at this time.

4. Amendment to Bill 1-120
An amendment to Bill 1-120 to reform the election laws is being drafted for you to intorduce at the legislative session as the bill is being read. Marion will intorduce it if necessar It will allow a school board member/ defeated candidate to

tions. This will allow Hilda Mason to provide he excess funds to an educational organization, (not a ~~xx~~ private school) ~~&xxxx~~ Congress of Parents and Teachers. Formerly, school board candidtates could give their funds to a like organization, but provisions of existing law allow only Council members or the Mayor to give excess funds to a constituent services fund. Unless this amendment is offered Hilda will have to give her excess back to the donors or to a political party--- she feels that since it was a non-partisan election that it is unethical to give it to a party. Ed Webb and Carl McIntyre (Councel for the Board of Elections) have seen the draft amendment and approve.

5. Letter from Vince Reed

Vince Reed replied to our letter asking if the schools' will accept funds in the transfer of OYOS funds for summer lunch ~~xxgx~~ programs. He replied that the School Board has problems with it and suggested that I contact Dwight Dropp to set up discussions. I believe that it will be pro forma. I will advise.

Weekly Review

April 24, 1976

1. Unit Budgeting

I propose that a roundtable discussion be set up within the next two weeks to include the persons mentioned earilier: school board, superintendent/represntative, budget people - both school and city, Bardyl, D.C. Citizens, etc. Several people have called to comment on the resolution; some criticisms of the form, but general enthusiasm for the concept. As you may not know, Willie Hardy co-sponsored the resolution. Spaulding stated that for him to support the resolution that I should develop the concept and our goals fully in any report of the committee. Hopefully, with a little more work, we can get it unanimously reported out of committee and back to the council.

Several persons, primarily several lawyers, have questioned whether or not it should be an act. There are some questions about the legalality of requesting ongining information through a resolution. Ed webb said, off the cuff, that this resolution was in the gray area between acts and resolutions - in terms of the charter's definitions of the same.

2. Teachers Salaries - Emergency Bill

The Committee reported out a pay raise bill on an emergency basis for a period of 45 days. This will allow any changes at a later date that the Committee or Council so desires. I have developed a report for the Council from the Committee on the emergency bill, and Lorraine came in to type it for me on Sunday. It will be distributed in the Committee of the Whole on Monday - and then Sterling will call an emergency meeting to vote on this bill and an amendment to the police and firemen's pay raise. (The Police and Firemen's pay riase had a clause in it tying a future raise (probably in october) to the raise granted to GS workers. An opinion of the Comptroller General stated that it was not really the way to do it untilxthem there is the independent merit personnel system; therefore, the amendment)

Our bill has the required report no3w and is uncontroversial in that we can change anything at a later date when we report out Bill 1-271 the

who?

Have the roundtable asap within the next 2 weeks. Dave and I discussed key people which meeting should be planned around.

— as long as you make sure Willie is there to vote — no need to worry about Spaulding. Schedule committee hearing on bill as soon as possible after roundtable.

— Bardyl, as a lawyer, says a resolution is perfectly legal (& faster) under Home Rule legislation. Alert him to defend this point at roundtable - invite other lawyers to be in audience. Our position is that this is legally a resolution — let others prove otherwise if they can! As this concept expands to rest of city financing — better to do without Congressional interference. Looks better for city.

bulk ~~x~~ of the report for the emergency bill can be reworked for that bill. The bill originally referred to the committee on the apay raise is still in committee; what we reported out is a bill on an emergency ba~~s~~is which is identical in terms of the provisions.

It provides for a 6% increase, period. Effective January 1, 1976.

3. OYOS

Because of the pay raise emergency, I have not finished the OYOS bill. Ed Webb is helping me identify the cites in the code. It would have been finished if I had not had to play with the pay raise stuff.

4. Interns etc.

Everyone is working hard and developing packets of information for me on their assigned topids. I have had them attend a number of me~~e~~tings which Lou used to attend and represent the committee.

5. PArental Respomsibility Ac~~t~~

Willie HArdy's bill requiring parents to be responsibilte has been referred to our committee. Basically, the bill does several things: impose a curfew during the week on those under ~~18~~ 16 years of age; require that parents provide up to date information to the schools so that the schools can locate parents at home and work without problems; ~~xxx~~ change the wording of the D.C. Code attendence provision so that it reads "daily" indteadof "regular" so that it will be more enforceable. While the curfew portion of the bill is reactionary, the remainder ~~is~~ of the bill isn't ridiculous. I know that Willie will be putting a lot of pressure on us to report it out and hold public ~~x~~hearings on it. Public Hearings may well be the best defense against the curfew. As you may recall, a similar provision was knocked down recently in Rockville because of the public outcry at a hearing.

good!

It is certainly clear that you had more than enough to do. Anything Dandy can help you with on this.

Good!

Schedule asap (I would suggest scheduling unit budgeting first & this second — if you have problems with this, discuss w/Julies)

correct! Be sure your "constituent list" to alert for hearings includes ACLU, Lawyers Guild etc.

Dave will have to press copy.

how about CSC as I requested?

Weekly Review

April 16, 1976

1. Unit Budgeting

Copies of the resolution, background statement, and charts have been delivered to: Bardyl, Councilmembers, Board of Education. Copy to D.C. Citizens will be delivered on Monday. David talked at length with Bardyl and he was quite excited.

Re: Press. We talked about it at length with Julius and he felt that a press briefing was more appropriate since the subject matter was so complicated. David further discussed it with Bardyl and he felt that that was an ideal vehicle for getting detailed press coverage. David gave a copy to Lee Daniels of the Post after discussing it briefly with the Post's national education writer... who sent Lee Daniels here. The reporter felt that having a briefing would be better in terms of helping write about it in any detailed way. There may even be a story this weekend(?) At any rate, the plan is now to have a briefng on Tuesday afternoon.

Poor PR.

A copy was given to Vince Reed and Ed Winner... they stopped by my office since they were in the building. David andI went over the resolution with them. They sere pleased also. Ed Winner, Head of Budget and Management for the schools, said he can identify for us the costs, how to apply pressure on the mayor to insure that we have the desired effect. I expect cooperation. Talked about it on Friday with Hobby. He felt that several board members would be particularly pleased, esp. Betty Kane and Hilda Mason. Ed Winner and several board members may be at the briefing. David will invite all pertinent? persons.

(Great!)

The only Councilmember who read it so far was Doug Moore-- he was extremely enthusiastic... interestingly enough, he discussed it quitexx intelligently and immediatley saw the relationship with Hobson v. Hanseen etc.

2. Staffing

Cleo Jollivette started work on Monday. She will be good. But alas, it always takes time for understanding about what

★ ★ Urgent

Monday first thing: Make sure Bardyl can come Tues afternoon to press briefing & invite reporters. Arrange time to suit Bardyl.
Deliver copies to D.C. citizens & Peter Rousseau

Press: Dave (Julius says) should not contact one paper & ignore others. (Bad PR) It would have been better to send all papers background etc. & invite them to briefing meeting at the same time — with the news not "for release" until Tues.

Dave can invite "pertinent" persons, (after checking with Julius) — but Bardyl is a must so I hope Dave has already confirmed time & place with Bardyl. Newspaper education writers should have been notified friday. (same with D.C. citizens) Dave should not contact the press + he is not press conferences. That is for Julius!

We only want people at briefing who support resolution — Bardyl, one or two members Board, one or two from school administration, Rousseau (-ph?) (-- he should receive copy Mon., fyi), one from D.C. citizens if they want to come. Others can sit as audience and listen.

our operation is about before she will be of great help to me. I have her started on reorganizing some things here in the office, and constitutent stuff. She spent a large part of Thursday and Friday stapling and coallating unit budgeting charts.

3. Teachers' Salary legislation.

On Wednesday I received the officail notification that Sterling Tucker has referred the Salary Bill to our committee. Several things have occurred. (1) We and also Tucker's office received correspondence from Dr. Evans (see attached) requesting that the Council not act until our Committee could hear the Board's concerns about the Mayor's pay raise proposal. They want to negotiate further with the union about the longer school day.
(2) Sterling called me in his office this afternoon to let me know that he was quite concerned about that bill. He wondered if a meeting could be set up with the Board as soon as possible... at least sometime this coming week. I told he that I would convey his concern to you... He will probably speak to you about it on Monday. His reason for wanting the bill to be enacted as soon as possible is that the Mayor has told him that Sen Natcher may not approve the FY 1976 and FY 1977 budgets until there is legislative authorization to spend the mondy requested for pay raises. In other words there is a budgetary technicality about the actual authorization of the pay raise which could either hold up approval of both boudget s or cause the funds for the raise to be struck on the hill. I talked with Lynn Scholz, Budget Committee Clerk who had been talking to the Mayor's Budget Office and Comer Coppie. She felt that it wasn't absolutely certain that these two actions would occurr... just that it was a possibility. Please advise. My suggestion is to hold a meeting with the Board and our Committee, raise detailed questions of the Board about the fiscal impact of the bill and not get involved in discussing other rates of increase unless you think we should.

Welcome!

quote on 1st page — he says he doesn't talk like that!

Unit budgeting cont'd

1. You were suppose to clear the wording of the press release with Julius before printing & distributing. All press releases must be cleared with Julius. He wants you to rewrite for briefing (remember it wasn't ready last Sun. — I thought I wrote "check with Julius" along with my editing suggestions.

2. I thought we were going to have a "table of contents" as a cover sheet to the charts so people can refer to as they look at chart. Pls do so for briefing.

OK, asap. See edited Mailgram

Labor Union?

See attached draft requesting the Board to meet with the Committee. If you approve/ change etc. we will send out Monday. I talked about it with David and Sandy and I am not convinced that a public hearing would be the best way to handle this. After meeting with the Board, we could have a Roundtable discussion, including the Mayor's office, the school administration, and any public who attended. The committee should be able to mark up the bill and report it out --- if necessary -- within two weeks. Eek! Sterling had mentioned to the clerk of the budget committee the possiblility that this bill might have to reported out as emergency legislation.

→ schedule now along with Board/Committee mtg.

4. OYOS

The meeting originally scheduled for Friday April 16th with Eve Washington and other NPC representatives was cancelled due to a death in the family of Mrs. Washington. Since ~~shes~~ she is the Chairman of the NPC~~x~~, the meting will be rescheduled at our and her mutual convenience. It was tentatively set up for Friday because of Julius's doctor's appointment, we will change it either to Wednesday of this week ~~of~~ or Friday of the following week. Despite all of my efforts to complete a bill, I do not have a draft. I have it at home with me and ~~wix~~ it will take longer then I thought. The primary reason for the delay is the necessity of researching the D.C. Code to repeal various sections and insert new sections in lieu thereof. It is an easy bill in terms of content ~~bxx~~ but quite difficult in terms of the legal requierments. Although the legislative Counsel will ~~sh~~ check it for sufficiency, I have to do the research add drafting. ~~kisz~~ and I am not a lawyer. It will be done by Tuesday or Wednesday so that it can~~xrk~~ be checked, reviewed by you and introduced as soon as possible. Beacuse of my need to help David on Unit budgeting, our committee meeting, and other ridiculous ~~dxx~~ distractions, including the new employee. It was not done. Also because of unit budgieting etc. I didn't

→ copies of the letters we edited last week should be in files – recreation, school, youth etc.. I would like to see how they finally looked.

→ I could be early Fri – Julius's appt. is for 11:00 a.m.

→ ask Dave/Sandy to check what you have done – check for errors.

→ by legislative Counsel?

feel free to leave here and go home or elsewhere ~~xi~~ to work on it. Ergo I will do it this weekend and Monday evening, etc.

5. Statehood

David has left a draft of a letter to Matt Watson for a financia ~~xxxx~~ analysis of the impact of statehood. He has already discussed with you he says.
Sandy has indicated that some letters will have to go out next week about the hearing. He and David will make sure that it is taken care of.

6. Leave Request
Assuming, ~~xxx~~ now that Unit Budgeting and Oyos are finished. and that we report out Unit Budgeting and the Pay Raise out in time. I would like to request that I ~~xxxx~~ take off the Week of May 17 through 21 to go out of town. Please advise as soon as possible because I have to coordinate plans with other persons. I realize that if all is not complete that I would have to cancel my plans.

— OK. As long as teacher salary bill is completed/action finished.

You all have done a great deal of thoughtful work — my congratulations! Everyone need a break!

Pat Miner
April 9, 1976

Weekly Review

1. Unit Budgeting

Folder is provided with all availble materials. Press release is being redone, although David and I have not finished our thinking in that area. If final approval given we will arrange for meeting with Mr. Vince Reed - Why? David will meet with Bardyl early next week, i.e. Monday to give him complete packet. Must be introduced by Wednesday. The heading on background "Application and Authority" will be changed to "Purpose and Authority

2. OYOS Reorganization

I have obtained copies of the orders establishing OYOS, etc. to develop the reorganization bill. I met with Ed Webb on Friday afternoon for direction, guidance etc. I have a model bill, the legislative counsel, Mike Senger will clean up the language which I draft next week sometime. A bill (final) will be on the desk next sunday. A meeting, at their request, has been scheduled for you with Evie Washington, who represents the Council of Chairmen for the Neighborhood Planning Councils. I have included draft letters to Dr. Rumsey, Dr. Evans, and Mrs. Washington for final typing and signature on Monday. Jonathan Cahn has been doing background research on employment, which will help with the employment aspects of the bill... he has been coordinating his investigations so that he doesn't overlap what David has already found out.

when? brief Julius on what she wants.

3. Gordon Junior High School

Material on the program for Gordon Junior High School has been received and it provided. I have also left copy of Hobson v. Hansen I & II; I have other copies so that one you can keep. I think that there may be some problems with it, but, since I am not a lawyer, I am not sure if it is illegal. Please advise what course of action to pursue.

Pat - lets stick to our original decisions, unless you have better ideas along the line — then let me know, why decisions should be changed:

- Dave is in charge of press conference. Julius wants publicity — so a majority of his (Dave) time should be spent on this next week. He should discuss with Bardyl as to "location", etc. Make sure a time is selected when Reed, Bardyl, Hilda, D.C. citizens etc. are available
- therefore, copies of the resolution should be given to Bardyl for distribution on Mon. — and hand delivered to others (Mon.) not on Bardyl's list. (remember CSC!)
- Begin to develop "constituent" list for card file.

— discuss with Julius

4. Staff/ Interns etc.=

For your information, I have left my interns weekly report to me. I wont leave them each week, unless you prefer otherwise. They are really working out very well,-primarily due to the fact that they are full time.
Cleo Jollivette has been approved and begins working here on Monday. I will assign the bulk of the constituent work to her, as well as general office organiaitional work. I also plan for her ~~at~~ to replace Lou on the Recreational stuff.
Luncheon for Lorraine went very nicely. I got her a gold necklace with coral beads in it--- she was very pleased. I also invited her sister, and Kay Cochran, a friend of hers here on the staff.

5. Election Bill

The part time interns have been working on a negative ~~kikk~~ report on the Election of the Superintendent Bill. Because of their spring breaks, etc. it is not complete. It will be done in two weeks from the draft I have seen... they only work one day each per week.

— would be delighted to see intern's reports — be sure they indicate projects. However, directions will come from you & Dave. I would be interested to see your comments to them on right side. But not necessary.

— Great. Terribly sorry I missed! Command performance ~~at~~ called by my boss of all staff on Thurs and fri. (20 min. to get a sandw. for lunch)

OK

David Smith
Pat Miner

April 2, 1976

Weekly Review

Unit Budgeting

1. As per our converstation of Thursday night, the background statement is being revamped, charts finally prepared for distribution, etc. David and I will come to your house atapproximately 8:00 p.m. on Monday for final strategy meeting prior to lead up with hardyi and press conferences. If that is too late, we can meet on Tuesday also. (David has a class early on Monday night which lets out shortly before eight).

OK. But we also may need Tues

2. OYCS Reorganization
Assuming all goes well Modday night, I will be getting together with Ld Webb to draft the Reorganization Bill during this week.

3. Teacher's Pay Raise
It is my assumption that this will be referred to our committee on Tuesday at the legislative session. Meetings will be set up with the appropriate parties for perhaps the 16th of April.... this will allow initial work on the Oyos stuff and review of all of the pay raise materials prior to any meeting. Letter would go out sometime next week to invite representative of the Board of Education, Superintendent, and Washington Teacher's Union. I will have prepared a precis of the various positions by next Sunday for your use in the discussions.

see materials in DCE folder

We ought to discuss this Mon or Tues so you don't waste time.

4. Interns
Jnnathan Cahn (high school intern) and Vernon Dunston (Dartmouth intern) are busily looking around for background information on various legislative ideas. They will work out fairly well I ax believe. Attached are some of the areas they are exploring for me at NEA and various other places.

— I wanted to discuss with Julius today — in relative peace + quiet — thought you might have another draft of the background for me to look at (and have chance to discuss with Julius) Every Sunday we start w/ [illegible] (make list) of all unit budgeting stuff on desk — it is our best time to discuss issues.

— remember no letters are to go out without Julius review + approval, nor questions or memos to Committee Dept.

— I have marked areas of interest — + fortunately they are those of the interns.

April 2, 1976 cont.

5. Gordon Junior High School Issues

I have not prepared a letter because we are awaiting a copy of th e proposal as requested from Dr. Dorothy Johnson, Region 2 Superintendent. Then the materials will be reviewed for blatant kinds of problems and xxxxxxxxxxxxx, sent to Peter Rousellot for possible injunction, if you so direct. If not, a letter can still be drafted for Vincent Reed and Hilda Mason outlining our objections to the proposed plan. (The idsue won't be considered by the Board for a while, according to Hobbie, because most of the Board members are leaving town for 2 weeks for the National Association of School Boards meeting in San Francisco) This will allow us lead tome to decide what to do if anything.

OK

For Interns / later work

EDUCATION, RECREATION AND YOUTH AFFAIRS COMMITTEE RESEARCH TOPICS

EDUCATIONAL VOUCHER SYSTEMS

New Hampshire - HB 867
California - Law

~~BILINGUAL EDUCATION~~

~~no interest~~ New Jersey Chap. 197, P.L. 1975 ~~provides for bilingual teachers~~ when over 20 students of a language type in any school.

SCHOOL-SAFETY SECURITY STUDY

Arkansas Act 214 - ~~Comparison in~~ Commisson on School Discipline

COMPETENCY-BASED TEACHER CERTIFICATION

N.B. → STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT/SKILLS / Accountability

* OK

Oregon - Law - Career Ed law
Washington BB 733 - Basic Accountability Plan
New Hampshire HB 824 - Standard Examination for Graduation
Montana HB 308 - Board of Education Definition of Instructional Program / setting goals - should be helpful as an adjunct after unit budgeting - requires Board of Educatun to set achievement standards

* Note: I have an idea for a ~~bill~~ bill which would require Board to address graduation standards, set general instructional objectives, survival skills, etc.... would not mandate any particular/specific Tests or courses, but would cause Bd. of Ed. to set publically its own goals and standards.

Interns will be {acquiring / developing} a series of bills from other jurisdictions for later work/etc.

OPEN RECORDS - SUNSHINE

OK Montana - SB158 available transcript of all School Board proceedings

COST ISSUES

Washington - SB2096 Chap. 5 Study on Administrative Costs

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Washington - Gifted Students
Massachusetts - Comprehensive Law - I have copy

NON-RESIDENT TUITION I have a draft bill

Revolving Trust Fund for funds received

Jonathan Cohn's interest area

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT Very Important

New Hampshire - Employment Bill - Private Sector

GENERAL RESEARCH

- National Conference of State Legislatures
  1150 Seventeenth Street, N.W. #702
  Legislator's Education Action Project
- National Education Administration Office
- League of Cities/Conference of Mayors
  Federal and Local Legislative Research
  (Federal Affairs Research
  Urban Affairs Abstracts - pub. weekly)

ACCREDITATION REPORTS

All public secondary and post secondary institutions

Vernon Dunston's interest area

ANTI-TENURE PROPOSALS Good!

NYC - not for school administrators
Massacusetts - Bill
Maine- Certification Standards Bill

Sunset Laws Good

We have requested Common Cause packet on Colorado "Sunset" law: requiring detailed budget review of agencies every X number of years. I have a draft bill from the Hill

Pat Miner
David Smith
March 26, 1976

Weekly Review

1. Unit Budgeting

Because Lorraine was not here, and our own delay in being able to complete the charts, etc. they are not yet typed. All changes that we discussed have been made. They will be ready for review, according to Lorraine's best estimates, on Monday. Sorry, but with her out of town 'til Thursday, and no more Lou,,, things couldn't be typed, etc. You will have a package sent here with on Monday. New Version of the resolution is provided.

What has been done/said to Bardyl? I will be away Tues. eve. & can we meet for final review Wed. evening or does it have to be introduced Wed? Let me know Mon (a.m. in office, p.m. at home). We don't want to introduce without a full dress rehearsal. Where is the "background" for unit budgeting — I would have appreciated a hand written draft — it has been 2 weeks!

2. Smoking

David arranged for letters to be sent to 32 governors and mayors re: smoking programs in their jurisdictions and the problems encountered in eforcement. We hope to have response prior to the smoking hearing.

Julius should see letters if his name is to be signed.

3. Sunset Laws

David has contacted Common Cause for copies of the Colorado x legislation. As you recall, this is the law where each agency in a government comes up for full scale review every 4/5 years. Should have the info within a week or so.

4. OYOS Reorganization

What about Dave's letter to the manpower people

Ed Webb says that it (the reorganization act) should be drafted as soon as possible. Our intern is on Spring Break and in Florida... I told him that our initial discussions were that the legislation should be as simple as possible, allowing the mayor to do the actual structuring of the agencies... He concurred, at least so far. He suggests that he and I take Monday afternoon to develop an initial first-cut at a bill and develop the

Sounds like a good idea. No work on this until you complete unit budgeting package and it is in my hands. Julius can tell Webb to wait.

Public Libraries

Budgetary Overview

The Public Library is operating on a budget of $8,600.9 for FY 77. About 80% of this figure goes toward personnel expenditures. Under the present funding only 470 positions out of a total of 550 authorized positions are filled. The operating budget is broken down ir the following manner:

Administration	6%
Technical Services (catalogning and record keeping etc.)	13%
Public Services (includes operation of the the central library, 23 branches, 3 book-mobiles, and special services to the handicapped etc.)	65%
Buildings and ground maintenance	16%

In the period between FY 1971 - 1976 the Library has had 112 positions and $1,300,000 removed from its budget base. This represents a reduction of 20% of its authorized positions and about 15% of its funding. In terms of service this has meant that the 72 hours a week service at all of its public service agencies (9 A.M.-10 P.M. Monday - Saturday) have been reduced to 64 hours a week at Martin Luther King Library (the central downtown library) with service only 4 nights a week and 55 hours a week at the branches with services only 3 nights a week. At present there are no Sunday hours.

Budgetary Problems

1. A further decrease from the budget set for FY 77 would result in a further reduction in library service to the community. It is estimated that a 5% cut in the Library's budget would reduce service in the branch libraries even further to 48 hours or less a week. Martin Luther King Library could probably remain service 64 hours a week.

2. The average employee rate in the Public Library falls between GS 6 and 7 levels which is below the entire city government's average of There is a high turnover of personnel because the present rate structure is not competitive with other libraries in the area

3. Utility cost increases: The libraries have cut their utility usage by between 30 and 40% over the past two years. However, this has been more than offset by a 23.1% increase in utility costs. Thus there is created an absolute shortage of funds to cover these utility costs. The solution is to request more funding to cover these costs.

FIRST DRAFT

FYI

RESEARCH DESIGN

EDUCATIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY IN D.C. PUBLIC SCHOOLS

D.C. Council, Committee on Education and Youth Affairs

Councilmember: Julius Hobson

Staff Contact: Patricia Miner

D.C. Project: Legislative Research Center

Legal Assistant:

Staff Counsel: Johnny Barnes

This design is for project administration purposes only. It does not necessarily present the position or plans of any official or employee of the Government of the District of Columbia.

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1. General Statement of Project

This project will involve an analysis of the D.C. City Council's authority to legislate with respect to the public schools. Particularly, it will focus on whether the Council can require certain testing of public school students and set minimum standards for promotion to higher grade levels.

NO

Schedule:

Products	Time Frame
Background Paper 3-3pp.	1 month
Draft Bill	1 month
Final Bill	1.3 month
Filing of Bill	2 month
Hearing	2.6 months
Report	3 months
Mark up/Agendizing Vote	Dec.

2. Definition of Problem Area

For many years the D.C. Public School System has been criticized for the poor showing by its students on national standardized tests as well as the seemingly poor education the students receive overall. D.C. students perennially finish near the bottom in testing when compared to students nationwide, and students have been known to go through the D.C. system without learning to read on a level sufficient to function effectively in today's society. The blame is laid on various persons and institutions as well as many factors. The question however is who will and who can do something about the problem.

3. Project Goals

The goals of the project are as follows:

A. To produce a research statement which can settle the question of whether or not the Council can legislate public school matters, especially accountability.

B. To aid in the production of a Committee Reprot which will accompany any legislation the Council passes on this subject.

C. To aid in the preparation of legislation.

4. Research Tasks

The research tasks will be tied into the project goals and will be developed following the initial meeting between the Council staff and the D.C. Project participants.

Council of the District of Columbia
Memorandum

City Hall, 14th and E Streets, N.W. 20004 Fifth Floor 638-2223 or Government Code 137-3806

To Council Members and Committee Staff

From Douglas E. Moore, Chair, Committee on Budget Doug Moore

Date September 14, 1976

Subject Preliminary Committee Budget Marks, FY'78

As the first step following the program forums in Council FY'78 Budget review and in accordance with the Aug. 30, 1976 memorandum from myself and the Chairman, the following budget marks have been developed for each of the substantive committees. The marks represent a total dollar amount for all the agencies or budget items under the committee's purview.

The development of the mark was based upon a starting concept of a "no-tax-increase-budget." Such a budget allows a maximum estimated total growth from FY'77 to '78 of $64,600,000. As you know, "uncontrollable" budget items such as mass transit subsidies, retirement payments, public assistance and debt service easily consume all the natural growth of revenues in a year. Thus, for the majority of agencies, a "no-tax-increase-budget" will provide no increases in the dollar amount of the budget from the previous year, FY'77. Committee marks are therefore derived by totalling the FY'77 budget level of all the agencies (Appendix I) and adding whatever "uncontrollable" growth item amounts projected between FY'77 and '78 (Appendix II).

- Committee on Employment and Economic Development $15,212,100
- Committee on Public Safety $232,628,100
- Committee on Education, Recreation & Youth Affairs $280,618,300
- Committee on Human Resources and Aging $294,598,700
- Committee on Government Operations $46,052,000

. Committee on Housing & Community Development $5,681,300

. Committee on Public Services and Consumer Affairs $4,949,000

. Committee on Transportation and Environmental Affairs $128,070,600

. Committee on the Judiciary & Criminal Procedures $33,051,700

NOTE: These Committee marks will have to be adjusted downward after receipt of the budget by the amounts of "non-recurring" costs in each agency reported in Schedule 3. These figures were not available to the staff at the time the marks were prepared.

It should be noted that these marks do not take into consideration revenues possibly needed to finance the FY'77 pay raise ($33.9 million estimated), the FY'78 pay raise ($55.0 million). Therefore, even when the Council Committees meet the marks herein, the problem of identifying additional revenues will not be solved necessarily.

In accordance with our procedural memo, I would expect that by Friday, September 17 the Committee would receive from each substantive committee a revised budget mark accompanied by the rationale to support it particularly in cases where the mark exceeds that submitted herein. Priorities must be assessed most carefully, if we are to achieve any target.

Attachments

Final Congressionally Approved FY 1977 City Budget

	FY '77 BUDGET	
	Pos.	Amount
Office of the Mayor	35	1,195.7
Council of the District of Columbia	83	2,352.3
District of Columbia Auditor	10	236.5
Executive Office:		
Office of the Secretariat	25	629.1
Office of Public Affairs	8	183.3
Office of Budget and Management Systems	279	7,075.9
Municipal Planning Office	82	1,849.1
Personnel Office	70	1,642.0
Compensation Funds:		
Disability Compensation	...	4,480.7
Unemployment Compensation	...	5,712.7
Workmen's Compensation	...	725.0
Office of Emergency Preparedness	7	129.2
Office of Human Rights	56	1,016.4
Office of Consumer Protection	16	298.3
Office of Bicentennial Programs	1	193.8
Rental Accommodations Office	43	770.4
Latino Community Development	...	.....
Council on Aging	...	.....
Commission on the Arts	...	.....
Total, Executive Office	583	10,139.6
Department of Finance and Revenue	171	4,103.0
Office of the Corporation Counsel	547	17,980.4
Department of General Services	187	3,034.9
Department of Economic Development	532	8,483.7
Public Library	24	470.8
Department of Manpower		
Other Independent Agencies and Offices:		
Youth Opportunity Services	8	225.6
Department of Housing and Comm. Develop.	252	4,910.9
Parole Board	23	501.1
Department of Insurance	26	579.6
Minimum Wage and Industrial Safety Bd.	42	770.7
Recorder of Deeds	66	814.0
Public Service Commission	32	714.1
Board of Appeals and Review	4	89.9
Board of Elections and Ethics	30	885.6
Office of the Surveyor	36	421.1
Commission on the Status of Women	2	41.0
Commission on Judicial Dis. and Tenure	1	67.4
Board of Labor Relations	2	114.4
Judicial Nomination Commission	...	16.8
Law Revision Commission	3	233.5
Advisory Neighborhood Commissions	...	900.0
Total, Other Independent Agencies and Offices		
Contributions to Metro Area Agencies:		
Council of Governments	...	212.8

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, Metrobus Operating Subsidies	...	24,536.0
Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission	...	73.4
Total, Contributions to Metro Area Agencies	...	
Miscellaneous Contributions:		
School Transit Subsidy	...	3,762.3
Washington Convention and Visitors Bureau	...	200.0
Chamber of Commerce	...	52.0
Total, Miscellaneous Contributions	...	
Total, General Operating Expenses		
Public Safety:		
Metropolitan Police	5,185	128,046.1
Fire Department	1,490	44,584.3
Courts:		
Appeals	61	1,659.1
Superior	985	20,247.3
District of Columbia Court System	70	3,831.9
Public Defender Service	86	1,910.9
Bail Agency	52	725.3
Total, Courts		
Department of Corrections	2,100	45,856.5
National Guard	20	299.0
Total, Public Safety		
Education:		
Public Schools	9,934	205,761.8
Board of Higher Education	9	264.7
D.C. Teachers College	219	4,879.2
Federal City College	943	22,106.2
Washington Technical Institute	405	12,275.8
Total, Education		
Recreation:		
Recreation Department	754	17,674.4
Human Resources:		
Department of Human Resources	9,317	268,475.6
Transportation:		
Department of Transportation	1,421	25,810.9
Environmental Services:		
Department of Environmental Services	2,665	59,950.0
Washington Aqueduct	310	9,086.0
Total, Environmental Services		
Personal Services	...	16,245.0
Repayment of Loans and Interest	...	80,839.1
Settlement of Claims and Suits	...	166.6
TOTAL	39,312	1,083,520.7

STANDARD "UNCONTROLLABLE GROWTH" BUDGET ITEMS

Figures refer to OBMS estimated projections of growth over the FY'77 approved Budget Levels required for the FY'78 Budget. Negative (-) amounts represent known adjustments and non-recurring costs.

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	$ 570.2
DISABILITY COMEPNSATION	1,380.3
BICENTENNIAL ACTIVITIES	- 193.8
SCHOOL TRANSIT SUBSIDY	238.0
MASS TRANSIT SUBSIDIES:	
Bus	- 3,063.6
Rail	7,677.6
POLICE DEPARTMENT	
Retirement	2,359.1
FIRE DEPARTMENT	
Retirement	1,285.6
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS	
Payment to Federal Prisons	1,754.1
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES	
Medicaid	17,231.1
Public Assistance	3,626.9
Medical Charities	1,000.0
Board and Care	3,709.7
D.C. PUBLIC SCHOOLS	
Teacher's Retirement	515.0
DEBT SERVICE	25,157.8
SUB-TOTAL	63,338.0

Government of the District of Columbia
OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL
DISTRICT BUILDING
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20004

IN REPLY REFER TO:

September 16, 1976

FOR RELEASE at 1:00 P. M.

Corporation Counsel, John R. Risher, Jr., has advised the District of Columbia Board of Education that it is subject to decisions by the Mayor and City Council controlling both expenditures by the Board and the number of personnel which the Board may employ. In his opinion of September 15, 1976 (a copy of which is attached hereto) the Corporation Counsel advised the Board that its contention that only the Congress can impose a ceiling on the number of personnel that the Board may employ had been expressly rejected by Congress -- in adopting the City's Home Rule Act -- as antithetical to the principles of Home Rule and fiscally unsound. Moreover, Risher advised:

> If it were otherwise, that is, if it could be said that once the Council decided that current sources of funding permitted only a certain level of employment that it nevertheless lacked authority to impose a personnel ceiling on the Board, then the Board would constitute a form of super legislature of the City, accountable only to the Congress. Under no circumstances, no matter how desperate, for example,

might be the need for the City to employ wardens, doctors, firemen, and policemen, under your argument the Board could decide to spend the needed funds that otherwise would be available, to employ teachers instead, and could do so even if there were no students to be taught. The Board thereby could deprive the citizens of this City of necessary medical, fire, and police protection for any reason it chose, or for no reason at all. I cannot read such a pernicious intent into the Charter.

Risher also commented:

> It is not insignificant that currently the City is under numberous orders of Federal Courts which require that it increase the number of persons employed to provide such needed services. Surely, it cannot be said -- at least not with any real degree of persuasion -- that the courts, the Mayor, and Council, having decided that these other vital services cannot be provided except by spending less for Board employees than the Board recommends, must defer instead to the Board's wishes.

Risher also announced that although he has not received a response to his opinion from the Board he anticipates that the Board will accept his request to discuss the matters discussed in his opinion, and that these discussions will prove most fruitful.

In releasing his opinion, Risher also released a copy of his September 14, 1976 letter to the Board. In that letter he advised the Board that amounts paid on account of claims and legal action that are predicated solely upon acts of Board employees should be separately set forth as a part of the Board's budget. Heretofore, amounts paid to satisfy liability for such acts have been

paid out of the general fund of the City. In his opinion, Risher advised that because of the Board's status as an independent agency these liabilities therefore should be paid out of funds specially set aside for it instead of those set aside for executive branch agencies.

Government of the District of Columbia

OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL
DISTRICT BUILDING
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20004

IN REPLY REFER TO:
CCO #1722

SEP 15 1976

David A. Splitt, Esquire
General Counsel, District of
Columbia Board of Education
Presidential Building
Washington, D. C. 20004

Dear Mr. Splitt:

This is in reply to your letter of June 10, 1976, requesting my opinion as to the authority of the Mayor and the Council to enact and implement measures which serve to limit the number of persons whom the Board of Education may employ and which, as a consequence, impede the expenditure by the Board of funds for inter-related purposes, e.g., "the procurement of supplies," etc.

There is much in your letter with which I agree, and I very much appreciate the effort which it reflects that you have devoted in your effort to definitively define the essential issue by a series of questions. However, for reasons which I previously have conveyed to you, I believe that your questions assume the very answers which they purport to seek, */ and contain propositions that admit of simplism predicated upon assumed and unstated "facts." Accordingly, I am unable to respond with a "yes" or "no"

*/ For example, in your second question, you ask if "the Mayor . . . may unduly delay or refuse to process appointments," required by Congress. (Emphasis added.) Because of the phrasing, the answer inheres in the "question," as the Mayor may not refuse to comply with an Act of Congress. I might suggest that the real question is whether the Mayor has acted contrary to any Act of Congress; in any event, in this reply I shall assume that this is the intended question.

answer to your questions; however, I assure you that this letter addresses the substance of each of them, fully.

The Board of Education is but one of the entities of the District of Columbia Government which has retained its status as an "independent agency" under the charter form of local government provided for in Title IV (the "Charter"), and adopted pursuant to Title III, of the District of Columbia Self-Government And Reorganization Act, as amended, Pub. L. 93-198, 87 Stat. 774 (hereinafter referred to as the "Self-Government Act" or "Act"). That status is assured by §495 of the Act, a provision of "Part F - Independent Agencies," which provides:

> The control of the public schools in the District of Columbia is vested in a Board of Education to consist of eleven elected members. . . . 1/

When this provision was proposed as "Technical Amendment No. 23," its sponsor, Representative Dellums, sought to assure that it, like the provisions of the Charter creating the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of the government, could not be amended by the citizens of the city, but only by the Congress. House Committee Print, supra, n. 1, pp. 1130-31, 1133. However, as the effort was predicated on a rationale that was clearly antithetical to the principles of self-government, it failed; and Representative Dellum withdrew his proposed "Technical Amendment." Ibid, at pp. 1137, 1139-40. Thus, while the Board's independence was established

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1/ 87 Stat. 811, D.C. Code §31-101(a)(1975 Supp.) The provision "simply restates the language of the 1968 bill that brought the elected School Board into existence [D.C. Code §31-101(a)], and protects the integrity of that language." "Markup By Full Committee of H.R. 9056," as printed in Background and Legislative History of . . . Bills Culminating in the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, House Committee on the District of Columbia, 93d Cong., 2d Sess., p. 1130 (1974) (hereinafter "House Committee Print"). Its purpose is to "maintain the status quo with respect to the 11 member elected Board of Education." H.R. Rpt. 93-482, 93d Cong., 1st Sess., p. 35 (1973); House Committee Print, supra, p. 1475; see also House Committee Print at p. 1132: "Mr. Dellums . . . All my amendments are attempting to do is to protect the status quo of the school board. . . ."

upon the enactment of §495, it was not granted a status as a co-equal of the executive and legislative branches of the city's government.

As a part of his efforts on behalf of the Board, Representative Dellum -- at the same time he sought adoption of "Technical Amendment No. 23" -- proposed certain other provisions which resulted in the enactment of §§452 and 719 of the Act. It is only §452 that is material to your request; 2/ it provides:

> With respect to the annual budget for the Board of Education, the Mayor and the Council may establish the maximum amount of funds which will be allocated to the Board, but may not specify the purposes for which such funds may be expended or the amount of such funds which may be expended for the various programs under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education. (Emphasis added.) 87 Stat. 803.

The reason for this provision is self-evident: it evidences an intent to subject the budget of the Board to a dominating determination by the Mayor and the Council as to the maximum amount of the scarce resources of the City which may be allocated among competing public needs to primary and secondary education. It does not, however, state that the Mayor and Council -- once the "maximum amount" has been established -- cease to have any responsibility with respect to the expenditure of it; nor can it be fairly construed to provide that the Board may spend all of the "maximum," without regard for the need to do so, but simply because it has been established. Instead, the provision represents no more than an explicit prohibition against either the Mayor or the Council, once the maximum has been established, from unilaterally deciding for what purpose and in what amount funds of the Board may be expended. This, however, is not to say -- as I understand you to contend -- that the Mayor and the Council are prohibited from pursuing policies which, although not intended to constitute unilateral decisions as to for what and how much funds allocated to the Board may be expended,

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2/ Section 719 merely assured that the terms of the encumbent members of the Board would not be deemed affected by the adoption of the Charter; its language is as originally proposed. Ibid, at p. 1129.

may produce that consequential result. Indeed, as the following demonstrates, the legislative history of §452 clearly forecloses your suggested construction of it.

The language of §452 is not the same as initially approved by the House as §495 of H.R. 9682. Instead, in passing H.R. 9682, the House adopted the additional language that had been proposed by Representative Dellums in his "Amendment No. 27" House Committee Print, supra, n. 1, p. 1140; that proposal, in addition to containing the language enacted as §492, further provided:

> . . . After the Council has appropriated the maximum amount of funds to the Board for any fiscal year, the Board shall prepare and adopt, in appropriate detail, a financial plan for the expenditure of such funds during such fiscal year, showing the purposes and programs for such funds will be expended; Such financial plan shall be carried out by the Superintendent [of the Board] who may, without approval of the Board, transfer or reallocate funds with respect to which a financial plan has been adopted if the amount of each such transfer or reallocation does not exceed $25,000. (Emphasis added.)

This additional language reflected Mr. Dellum's view that only the Congress should exercise supervisory control over the Board's budget -- a view which also led him to propose that the Board should be freed of the requirement to seek the approval of the Mayor and the Council to reprogram amounts in excess of $25,000. House Committee Print, supra, n. 1, p. 1141.

The "Dellums" amendment created considerable opposition and was described by the dissenters of the House District Committee as inter alia, "fiscally unsound." H.R. Rpt. 93-482, supra, n. 1, at p. 155; House Committee Print, supra, n. 1, at p. 1595. As the dissenters commented:

> The important fact is that [it provides that] only after the Council has appropriated the funds is the Board required to prepare and adopt its budget for the year. (Emphasis in the original.) Ibid.

They, therefore, argued:

> . . . regardless of whether or not the Mayor and Council should be permitted to change line items in the school budget as developed by the Board of Education, such a budget should by all means be presented by the Board to the Mayor and Council to serve as a basis upon which the Mayor and Council may make an intelligent and responsible decision as to the total fiscal needs of the Board for the year. Ibid, at p. 156; at p. 1596.

In addition, the dissenters noted, under the "Dellums" amendment, the "Board of Education would have general authority . . . to carry out its own financial plan. . . . The Superintendent, alone among the heads of all District agencies, is given reprogramming authority equal to that of the Mayor." Ibid.

The views of the dissenters prevailed. Thus, the objectionable provisions of the "Dellums" amendment were struck by the conferees to conform with the Senate version, H. R. Conf. Rpt. 93-703, 93d Cong., 1st Sess., p. 73 (1973); House Committee Print, supra, n. 1, at p. 3011, and the Senate version thereafter was enacted as §452 of the Self-Government Act.

As the foregoing demonstrates, the autonomy of the Board -- or more particularly, its independence to direct the extent and purposes of its expenditures -- was not intended to be absolute and subject only to the will of Congress as proposed by Representative Dellums, but circumscribed and subject to the determination of the Mayor and the Council. This, however, is not to say that either the Mayor or the Council has been empowered to direct the Board -- after the "maximum" has been established -- as to what programs should be pursued, nor what amount may be expended therefor. Instead, the Charter -- as Representative Dellums acknowledged -- contemplates that prior to establishing the maximum, an agreement as to the allocation of amounts within the "maximum" is to be reached by the Mayor, the Council, and the Board through "negotiation." House Committee Print, supra, n. 1, pp. 1141, 1143. And, as is explained infra, once the negotiated agreement is reached, the Board is bound by it, and its terms are to be reflected in the "written statement explaining the changes, if any, in the total amounts recommended by the Board" which the Mayor and Council are to prepare and submit with the City's budget. H. R. Conf. Rpt. 93-703, supra.

To be sure, Representative Dellums sought to structure the negotiations so that the Board would not have to reveal any amounts within the approved maximum that it proposed to spend for any particular purposes; however, he failed to achieve this objective. He also sought to give the Board "general authority . . . to carry out its own financial plan" by permitting the reprogramming by it of all of its funds, subject only to the approval of Congress; but the Congress also disapproved this proposed grant of authority. As a consequence, the Charter contemplates "negotiations," pursuant to which the parties will not only decide upon a maximum amount for the Board's budget, but also will reach an agreement as to how the maximum is to be allocated by the Board and subjects any effort to reprogram to Council scrutiny and approval. In short, the Charter provides for a negotiated, political resolution of the amount of the approved maximum which the Board will allocate for particular purposes.

It is against this background that one must analyze the provisions of D. C. Code §31-103 and those of the Charter pertaining to the duties and responsibilities of the Mayor and the Council for the City's budget and revenues. D. C. Code §31-103 provides:

> The Board shall determine all questions of general policy relating to the schools, ... and direct expenditures. All expenditures . . . shall be made and accounted for as now provided by law under the direction and control of the Mayor. . . .

At page three of your letter, you state that under this provision the Mayor has only a "ministerial function" which does not permit him "to overrule a decision by the Board of Education directing the expenditure of funds for a legally authorized purpose." I am far from clear as to what you intend to convey in your use of the phrase "ministerial function"; but that seems of little moment. For the short of the matter is that §31-103 provides that "[a]ll expenditures . . . shall be . . . under the direction and control of the Mayor," (emphasis added) language which does not permit me to conclude that the Mayor is to be a mere sinecure or functionary for the Board. Indeed, it is established beyond dispute in §448 of the Act that:

> Subject to the limitations in [only] section 603, the Mayor [as the "chief executive officer" of the City's

> government] shall have charge of the administration of the financial affairs of the District and to that end he shall --
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> (1) supervise and be responsible for all financial transactions to insure adequate control of revenues . . .;
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> (2) maintain systems of accounting and internal control designed to provide --
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> (D) reliable accounting results . . . controlling the execution of the budget. (Emphasis added.) 87 Stat. 801.

In view of the plain meaning of these provisions, I, therefore, am of the view that the Mayor is vested with the authority -- indeed the duty -- to assure that the Board's expenditures conform with the allocations agreed upon during the political negotiations resulting in the determination of the maximum amount of the Board's budget. Indeed, you seem to concede the plenary authority of the Mayor in this regard, for your statement contains the qualifier that the Mayor may not "overrule a decision by the Board . . . directing the expenditure of funds for a legally authorized purpose." This, of course, is true, for the Board is an independent agency, and accordingly pursues "legally authorized purpose[s]" independently of the day-to-day control which the Mayor exercises over executive branch agencies. However, the inadequacy of your statement is found in the fact that it does not espouse the maxim that with respect to the Board's expenditures each "legally authorized purpose" is established by (1) a prior agreement reached in the process of the negotiations pursuant to which the "Board . . ., the Mayor and Council . . . establish the maximum amount of funds which will be allocated to the Board," and (2) duly enacted legislation of the City, a point to which I now turn.

As you stated in your October 22, 1975, opinion (75-15) to the Board; at page seven:

> It would be folly to deny that the City Council has a great amount of legislative power over public education in the District of Columbia. . . .

Surely, as the Department of Justice noted at page eleven of its April 7, 1976, opinion to the Associate Counsel to the President, in commenting on §4 of the City's Fiscal Year 1977 budget act, which established a ceiling on City government employees of 35,000:

> The Council does not purport in section 4 to control judicial or educational employees, as it could not under the [Self-Government] Act. . . . But the Council as District legislative (sic) may clearly decide, as it has, that available sources of public funds will support only so many public employees, wherever in the District Government they may serve. Employee ceilings are a traditional, if somewhat drastic, device in pursuit of governmental economics and are nonetheless permissible when the government in question has only limited ability to affect some part of its work force.

If it were otherwise, that is, if it could be said that the Council -- once it decided that current sources of funding permitted only a certain level of employment -- nevertheless lacked authority to impose a personnel ceiling on the Board, then the Board would constitute a form of super legislature of the City, accountable only to the Congress. Under no circumstances, no matter how desperate, for example, might be the need for the City to employ wardens, doctors, firemen, and policemen, under your argument the Board could decide to spend the needed funds that otherwise would be available, to employ teachers instead, and could do so even if there were no students to be taught. The Board thereby could deprive the citizens of this City of necessary medical, fire, and police protection 3/ for any reason it chose, or for no reason at all. I cannot read such a pernicious intent into the Charter; indeed, as I have noted supra at pages 3-5, the efforts to so elevate the Board were rejected by the Congress.

For the foregoing reasons, it is my opinion that it cannot be said that the Mayor and Council have interfered in the affairs of the affairs of the Board in contravention of either the letter or

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3/ It is not insignificant that currently the City is under numerous orders of Federal Courts which require that it increase the number of persons employed to provide such needed services. Surely, it cannot be said -- at least not with any real degree of persuasion -- that the courts, the Mayor, and Council, having decided that these other vital services cannot be provided except by spending less for Board employees than the Board recommends, must defer instead to the Board's wishes.

or spirit of §452 of the Act. I am of the further opinion that the provisions of Mayor's Order No. 75-124 (which established uniform policies designed to "ensur[e] the fiscal integrity of the District of Columbia Government" in accordance with policies established by the Council in establishing a ceiling on employment of City government personnel), §4 of the Fiscal Year 1976 budget act (which imposed a personnel ceiling) and §405 of D. C. Law No. 1-36 (which authorizes the Board to reprogram line-item amounts not in excess of $50,000) are authorized and binding on the Board.

I will be pleased to discuss these opinions further with you and the Board, at your convenience. Again, I thank you for your splendid letter.

Sincerely yours,

John R Risher, Jr.

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September 14, 1976

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In Re: CCO No. 1846

Dear Dr. Evans:

I have your response to my letter of July 9, 1976, concerning Agnew v. District of Columbia, D.C. Sup. Ct., Civ. Action 10063-75. That case, unlike the case of Esther Lacy, et al. v. District of Columbia, et al., is still pending trial in the Superior Court. The judgment already entered in Lacy, in the amount of $640,000.00, is predicated solely upon conduct by an employee of the Board of Education who, in a separate criminal proceeding, confessed and has been sentenced for committing the rapes upon which the judgment is based.

In my letter of July 9th, regarding the Agnew case, which is similar to that of June 21, 1976, concerning the Lacy case, I advised of my opinion that any funds paid in satisfaction of the plaintiff's claim should be satisfied out of funds specifically identified as a portion of "the maximum amount of funds which will be allocated to the Board," as provided by §452 of the Charter, 87 Stat. 803, and not out of the general funds of the District. In this respect, I referred to United States v. Orleans, _____ U.S. _____ (1976), not because the holding in that decision is specifically

applicable, but because its rationale is. There, as here, the actionable conduct was committed by an employee within the course of the discharge of his employment which was funded by appropriated funds. There, as here, the taxing authority and defendant exercised no direct supervisory authority over the employee; instead, the employer was an independent recipient of appropriated funds who was authorized to expend them for the employment of the perpetrator of the actionable conduct. Accordingly, given the status of the Board as an independent agency, and its assertions of the scope of that independence, I am of the view that its budget -- rather than the general fund -- should be the source for satisfaction of claims based upon the conduct of its employees.

My Office is seeking to have the judgment in Lacy vacated; if this effort is unsuccessful an appeal will be initiated. In the meanwhile, I assume that your General Counsel will be kept advised of the status of the matter by the Assistant Chief of the Civil Proceedings Division who is handling this matter.

Very truly yours,

John R. Risher, Jr.

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cc: The Honorable Sterling Tucker
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June 10, 1976

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Dear Mr. Risher:

The Board of Education has authorized this office to pursue legal means to challenge the continued imposition of the provisions of Mayor's Order No. 75-124 (July 7, 1975, copy attached) on the Public Schools of the District of Columbia. It is the opinion of this office that an attempt to resolve this matter within the District of Columbia government should be directed to the Corporation Counsel in the form of a request for an opinion. Therefore, on behalf of the D. C. Board of Education, this office requests an opinion on the following issues:

(1) Whether the Mayor of the District of Columbia can impose limitations upon line-item expenditures by the Board of Education, including the appointment of personnel, the re-classification of positions, promotions, obligations for overtime and travel, and the procurement of supplies, materials, equipment, and consultative services. With specific reference to the current fiscal year, are the provisions of Mayor's Order No. 75-124 applicable to the Board of Education?

(2) Whether the Mayor or officials of the government of the District of Columbia may unduly delay or refuse to process

appointments of personnel or other personnel actions of the Board of Education when such appointments or other personnel actions are consistent with the budget amounts and personnel authorizations established by an Appropriations Act of the Congress of the United States.

(3) Whether the Mayor or officials of the government of the District of Columbia may unduly delay or refuse to submit a request of the Board of Education for consideration by the Congress of the United States of a reprogramming or redirection of appropriated funds above the ceiling amount established by D. C. Law 1-36.

(4) Whether the Mayor or officials of the government of the District of Columbia may unduly delay or refuse to process the administrative actions necessary to implement an action by the Board of Education to authorize the purchase or procurement of supplies, equipment, materials, or services for which funds have been appropriated by an Appropriations Act of the Congress of the United States or a reprogramming or redirection of funds pursuant to D. C. Law 1-36 or the approval of the Congress of the United States.

(5) Whether the Mayor or officials of the government of the District of Columbia may impose upon the Board of Education any limitation upon the reprogramming or redirection of funds from personnel categories to non-personnel categories, including the refusal to process or submit such requests to the Congress of the United States or the refusal to implement an action of the Board of Education pursuant to D. C. Law 1-36.

(6) Whether the Mayor or officials of the government of the District of Columbia may unduly delay or refuse to process the administrative actions necessary to implement payment of any payroll voucher or voucher for payment of obligations authorized by the Board of Education when the funds upon which such vouchers are drawn are authorized by an Appropriations Act of the Congress of the United States or a reprogramming or redirection of such funds pursuant to D. C. Law 1-36 or the approval of the Congress of the United States.

With regard to the issues raised herein, it has been the consistent position of the Board of Education that the taking of any of the actions by the Mayor which are the subject of the specific questions propounded hereinabove has been and would be in conflict with the legal authority vested in the Board of Education and amount to actions by the Mayor in excess of his statutory authority.

The position of the Board of Education on these issues is based upon an analysis and comparison of the provisions of law conferring authority and responsibility upon the Mayor and the Board of Education.

The authority of the Mayor vis a vis the Board of Education with regard to expenditure of funds is defined, in part, by the provisions of D. C. Code, Title 31. The basic authority of the Board is conferred by Section 31-101, in pertinent part, as follows:

> 31-101 (a) The control of the public schools of the District of Columbia is vested in a Board of Education to consist of eleven elected members. . .

The authority of the Board of Education with regard to the expenditure of funds appropriated for public school purposes, including the role of the Mayor in such expenditures, is contained in Section 31-103, as follows:

> 31-103 The Board shall determine all questions of general policy relating to the schools, shall appoint the executive officers hereinafter provided for, define their duties, and direct expenditures. All expenditures of public funds for such school purposes shall be made and accounted for as now provided by law under the direction and control of the Mayor of the District of Columbia. . .
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> (emphasis added)

The clear intention and meaning of the above provision is to vest the discretionary authority for determining and directing expenditures in the Board of Education. The ministerial function and authority of the Mayor with regard to such expenditures is also clearly stated. The Mayor has the direction and control of the mechanisms for the expenditure of public funds, including the manner of obligation, payment, and accounting for such funds. But this Section in no way confers any authority upon the Mayor which could be used to overrule a decision by the Board of Education directing the expenditure of funds for a legally authorized purpose.

The provisions of Public Law 93-198, The District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, further define the authority of the Board of Education and Mayor with regard to budget and expenditures. The provisions of the Act which are applicable to the issues raised hereinabove are contained in Title IV of the Act, entitled "The District Charter." It is the position of this office

that the "Charter" section of the Home Rule Act is analogous to a state constitution and, therefore, is the highest local authority in law for the government of the District of Columbia. Section 452 of Title IV of the Act, entitled "Annual Budget for the Board of Education," confers authority with respect to the budget of the D. C. Public Schools and expenditures of funds pursuant to such budget, as follows:

> Sec. 452 With respect to the annual budget for the Board of Education in the District of Columbia, the Mayor and Council may establish the maximum amount of funds which will be allocated to the Board, but may not specify the purposes for which such funds may be expended or the amount of such funds which may be expended for the various programs under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education. (emphasis added)

This provision of the Charter is both definitive of the authority of the Board of Education and Mayor and restrictive of the authority of the Mayor with regard to the budget of the Board of Education and expenditures directed by the Board pursuant to that budget. Whereas the Mayor and Council are vested with authority to establish the maximum amount of funds to be allocated to the Board in the budget, the Charter specifically states what the Mayor (and Council) cannot do with regard to expenditures pursuant to the budget, as follows:

> The Mayor and City Council—
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> . . .may not specify the purposes for which such funds may be expended. . .
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> The Mayor and City Council—
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> . . .may not specify. . .the amount of such funds which may be expended for the various programs under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education.

Thus, this provision of the Charter would clearly prohibit the Mayor from taking an action or imposing any regulation, order, or restriction which would amount to a line-item decision on the budget or would amount to a decision on either the purpose or amount of funds expended by the Board of Education.

For example, with regard to the budget, the Mayor may recommend to the Council that the budget for the Board of Education be reduced

by an amount certain; however, such action cannot be designed or implemented as a line-item reduction, even though the amount may coincide with the amount budgeted for specific programs. Once the Mayor and Council have set the maximum amount of funds to be allocated to the Board of Education within the overall city budget, the Board of Education retains the authority to make determinations in its discretion as to the purposes for which the total amount shall be expended and the amounts to be spent for such purposes, subject only to the approval of the Congress of the United States. Certainly this authority to determine line-item expenditures extends beyond the budget process itself to include the determination whether to expend funds for particular purposes within the limits of the Appropriations Act of the Congress.

Once the Congress of the United States has enacted appropriations legislation allocating funds for the purposes stated in the budget of the Board of Education, it is solely within the discretion of the Board of Education when and how such funds shall indeed be expended, including whether or not such funds shall be expended at all. A determination by the Mayor that funds authorized by Congress shall not be obligated or expended by the Board of Education, such as a freeze on hiring of authorized personnel by the Board of Education, is in excess of the Mayor's authority, is an abrogation of the authority of the Board of Education, and is in direct conflict with the provisions of The District Charter.

In addition to the clear delineation of authority contained in Section 452 of the Charter, it is the position of the Board of Education that no provision to the contrary exists in the Charter to limit or modify Section 452, and that provisions of the Charter which delineate Mayoral authority which might be interpreted to conflict with Section 452 are inapplicable to the Board of Education insofar as any conflict might arise.

An analysis of the provisions of the Charter which confer specific financial authority and duties upon the Mayor supports the position of the Board of Education. Further, an analysis of the provisions of Part D of the Charter, entitled "District Budget and Financial Management," clearly indicates that Section 452 of that Part, which confers authority upon the Board of Education, acts to modify the preceding sections of that Part insofar as the authority of the Board of Education is concerned.

For example, while Section 442 confers broad authority on the Mayor for formulating the District's budget and does not mention the separate jurisdiction of the Board of Education over its budget, it is clear that Section 452 modifies these provisions insofar as the budget of the Board of Education is concerned.

Section 448 of Part D of the Charter, entitled "Financial Duties of the Mayor," includes broad provisions defining the Mayor's duties and authority over financial affairs in the District of Columbia. But where such provisions would provide discretion in the Office of the Mayor over expenditures for purposes under the jurisdiction of the Mayor, such discretion is not applicable to the expenditures of the Board of Education since Section 452, which follows, vests discretionary authority over Public School expenditures solely in the Board of Education.

For example, Section 448(9) provides broad discretion to the Mayor to apportion appropriations and funds, as follows:

> Sec. 448 Subject to the limitations in section 603, the Mayor shall have charge of the administration of the financial affairs of the District and to that end he shall—
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> . . . .
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> (9) apportion the total of all appropriations and funds made available during the fiscal year for obligation so as to prevent obligation or expenditure thereof in a manner which would indicate a necessity for deficiency or supplemental appropriations for such fiscal year, and with respect to all appropriations or funds not limited to a definite period, and all authorizations to create obligations by contract in advance of appropriations, apportion the total of such appropriations or funds or authorizations so as to achieve the most effective and economical use thereof.

It is the position of the Board of Education that this Section, insofar as it applies to any discretionary action to limit or apportion obligations and expenditures for purposes under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education, does not confer upon the Mayor any authority or discretion to apportion the funds appropriated to the Board of Education in any manner which would amount to withholding such funds for the purpose of balancing expenditures of the District of Columbia government not included in the budget of the Board of Education, nor does it provide the Mayor with any authority to limit or restrict obligations or expenditures by the Board of Education in specific amounts or for particular purposes within its jurisdiction.

The Board of Education does not contend that the ministerial duties and authority conferred upon the Mayor by law exclude the financial transactions of the Board of Education. However, it is the position of the Board that an action by the Mayor such as a freeze on hiring by the Board of Education amounts to a line-item decision on purposes and amounts of expenditures which may only be made by the Board of Education. Where a decision of the Board of Education to obligate funds or expend monies to pay for employees, goods, or services is authorized by an Appropriations Act of the Congress of the United States (or appropriate reprogramming or redirection of such funds), and where such an obligation or expenditure cannot be shown to indicate a necessity for deficiency or supplemental appropriations to the budget of the Board of Education, it is beyond the authority of the Mayor to veto, restrict, unduly delay, refuse to process, or otherwise contravene such an action by the Board of Education.

The Board of Education seeks the opinion of the Corporation Counsel in this matter as a means of swiftly resolving the existing conflict within the government of the District of Columbia. To this end, it would be appropriate for a response to this request to be made available to the Board of Education not later than a time coincident with the expiration of the fiscal year on June 30. Your cooperation and assistance in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

David A. Splitt
General Counsel

cc: Members, Board of Education
Executive Secretary
Superintendent of Schools

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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Civil Division

THERMAN E. EVANS, et. al.,	:	
Plaintiffs	:	
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v.	:	CIVIL ACTION No. 9393-76
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WALTER E. WASHINGTON, et. al.,	:	
Defendants	:	

TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER

Upon consideration of plaintiffs' Motion for Temporary Restraining Order as orally modified in open court, based upon the verified complaint for injunctive and other relief filed herein, defendants' Motion to Dismiss, documents submitted to the Court by the parties, and argument of counsel in open court; and it appearing that the plaintiffs have a substantial likelihood of success on the merits, that irreparable injury will result to the plaintiffs if such relief is not granted, that no injury will result to defendants upon issuance of such Order, and that the public interest warrants such temporary relief, it is hereby

ORDERED this 30th day of September, 1976, at 11:36 p.m.

1. That the defendants are restrained and enjoined from taking action to make unavailable to the plaintiffs, should they prevail on the merits of this action, funds appropriated by P.L. 94-333, 90 Stat. 785, for the fiscal year 1976 and the Transition Quarter ending September 30, 1976, and apportioned to the Board of Education, in the amount of a minimum of approximately $1.32 million and in the maximum amount of approximately $1.8 million, each figure subject to audit and subject to the final order of the Court.

2. The express purpose of this Order is to preserve the status quo with respect to such funds so that should plaintiffs prevail on the merits, such funds shall be available after September 30, 1976, for obligation and expenditure as determined by the Board of Education of the District of Columbia.

pursuant to the final order of the Court; and,

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED

3. That plaintiffs need give no security; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED

4. That plaintiffs' Motion for preliminary injunction is hereby set for hearing at 10:00 a.m. on the 12th day of October, 1976, and that, defendants having waived their right to a hearing within 10 days, that this Temporary Restraining Order shall expire at 4:00 p.m. on that date unless otherwise extended by this Court.

_____;

Judge, Superior Court of the District of Columbia

Draft from Vince Reed

Memorandum to: All School Principals

Subject: Equalization

The equitable distribution of school expenditures has been a controversial issue in the District of Columbia since the 1967 Hobson v. Hanson court decision. That landmark decision, however, was based on the best economic data available to the School System at that time, and therefore rested on the equal expenditure of only certain components of the local school operation.

Although Judge Skelly Wright invited the Public Schools to seek modification of the Decree, the decision has never been altered beyond the narrow limits of teachers' salaries because of the lack of a better plan. To encourage the development of such a plan, Mr. Julius Hobson, Sr., recently introduced a "School Cost Center Reporting Resolution" in the City Council, which was adopted. This resolution calls for the submission by the Mayor of quarterly reports on all expenditures for each school in the Public School System.

It has always been the policy of the Board of Education to pursue these same goals. Mr. Hobson's resolution attempts to gather more comprehensive data on which to base a better plan. We will make every attempt to explore with the City all possible automated methods for collecting such

information; no doubt, however, the local schools will be called upon to furnish additional information which cannot be collected automatically.

We anticipate, however, that your efforts will result in a far more satisfactory and equitable plan for the equitable distribution of these resources. The information which these quarterly reports should produce will prove extremely valuable to local school administrators and local school communities in determining what resources are actually available in the schools, and whether the Hobson v. Hanson decision should be modified. Such reports will enable school personnel, citizens, and parents to measure performance against costs, and add this comparison to its consideration of the total school program.

For your information, I am including a copy of Resolution 1-343, the "School Cost Center Reporting Resolution," a general background statement, and a press release prepared by Mr. Hobson's office. Mr. Hobson has asked me to assure each principal of his sincere concern for the effectiveness of your administration at the local school, and his appreciation of your cooperation in this undertaking. A copy of this information has also been sent to your school PTA.

This resolution calls for reporting by the Mayor to the City Council, and these reports of cost center expenditure will be closely monitored by Mr. Hobson's office and the City Council. If you, your staff, or members of the community have additional concerns or questions concerning the resolution, they should contact Mr. Julius Hobson, Sr., or Ms. Patricia Miner, Staff Director of the Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs of the City Council, at 724-8014.

Within the Public School Administration, the Budget Division will continue to be the office of record for local school allocations and expenditures, and the Office of Research and Evaluation will continue to conduct the actual reporting of equalization and comparability. The staff of these two offices will be available to assist you.

VINCENT E. REED
Superintendent of Schools

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Attachments

THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WALTER E. WASHINGTON
Mayor

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20004

20 OCT 1976

Honorable Sterling Tucker
Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia
Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Bill 1-307, the D.C. Youth Services Act of 1976, was presented to me for approval on October 5, 1976. EA 1-64, the D.C. Youth Services Emergency Act of 1976, was presented to me for approval on October 7, 1976. Because of the concerns that I have expressed throughout the Council's consideration of the proposal to abolish the Office of Youth Opportunity Services, I have decided to let Bill 1-307 and EA 1-64 go into effect without my signature. I recognize it would be futile to disapprove the bills since abolishment of the Office has already been approved by the Congress in the Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 1977.

I am also taking this action because the bills include personnel assignments which it appears will not permit the functions being reassigned to be carried out most effectively. Accordingly, my staff is reviewing a proposed amendment to reassign some of the positions. Without addressing the merits of the reassignment of functions, it would have been preferrable if the legislation had reassigned functions without designating specific personnel. At least clerical personnel should have been handled under a general provision authorizing me to make appropriate assignments. I hope a general authorizing provision will be used in future Council enactments. In any event, I expect the amendments will be ready for submission to the Council before the expiration of Bill EA 1-64.

Sincerely yours,

Walter E. Washington

WALTER E. WASHINGTON
Mayor

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Julius Hobson, Sr.
Councilmember-At-Large



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I WILL ATTEND THE COMMUNITY WORKSHOP ON SCHOOL/ COST INFORMATION ON NOVEMBER 20, 1976.

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ORGANIZATION _____

AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR THE COMMUNITY WORKSHOP ON SCHOOL/COST RELATED INFORMATION

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D.C. CITIZENS FOR BETTER PUBLIC EDUCATION, INC.
D.C. FEDERATION OF CIVIC ASSOCIATIONS

Dear Committed Citizens:

Since the 1971 equalization order issue by Judge Skelly Wright in the Hobson v. Hansen case, the allocation of educational resources has been a controversial issue in the District of Columbia. Concerned parents, citizens, and educators have lamented the lack of system-wide uniform information on the public schools. The "School Cost Center Reporting Resolution", recently adopted by the Council of the District of Columbia, can possibly suggest further means for the eradication of the problems inherent in the current equalization process.

The "School Cost Center Reporting Resolution" reguires that the Mayor submit quarterly reports on all expenditures for each school in the public school system. The information generated by these reports will be extremely valuable to citizens in determining what resources are actually available in the schools and whether changes should be made in their allocations. It can allow parents and citizens to examine school performance and costs.

A coalition of interested organizations are sponsoring a city-wide workshop to discuss school cost-center accounting and related issues. This workshop will be held November 20, 1976 from 10:00A.M. until 3:00P.M. in Room 2172 Rayburn Building, Washington, D.C. Lunch will be available for a minimal cost in the Rayburn Cafeteria.

The primary goal of this community forum is to further citizen-initiated discussion and involvement in the public school issues. Citizen commitment for involvement have proven to be a powerful inducement for better public schools. To this end, the workshop is designed to present background information on school cost-center accounting and budgeting and facilitate discussion on its possible utility for educationally-oriented parent and citizen groups. You are being invited because of your demonstrated leadership, activism, and commitment to effective public education in the District of Columbia.

Because there is no way of knowing how many persons will be interested in participating and because of the constraints on the space available to the group, it is necessary that you return the enclosed postcard to indicate whether or not you will attend no later than November 16, 1976. If you have any additional questions, please contact Ms. Pat Minor at 724-8089 or 724-4856.

Enclosures

COMMUNITY WORKSHOP ON SCHOOL/COST RELATED INFORMATION

November 20, 1976

10:00 A.M.

AGENDA

10:00 - 10:15	Greetings: Julius W. Hobson, Chairman, Committee on Education, Recreation, and youth Affairs, Council of the District of Columbia Moderator: Olive Covington, Director of Communications, D.C. Public Schools
10:15 - 10:40	Overview of School Cost Accounting and Potential Applications Edward Winner, Deputy Superintendent Division of Management Services, D.C. Public Schools Patricia Evans Miner, Staff Director Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs
10:40 - 10:50	Question and Answer Period
10:50 - 11:00	Coffee Break
11:00 - 11:55	Models for School Level Budgeting - Panel Discussion - Olive Covington - Moderator Panel: John Anthony, Principal, Morgan Community School Badi Foster, School of Education, Harvard University Eugene Kinlow, Anacostia Community School Board Trudy O'Toole, President, Eaton School PTA
11:55 - 12:00	Recap and Summary - Olive Covington
12:00 - 12:45	Lunch
12:45 - 2:00	Small Group Sessions - Topics: How can we let others know? What other school information do parents/citizens need? What action can take place at each school? What action could take place on a city-wide basis?
2:00 - 2:30	Group Reccommendations
2:30 - 3:00	Where Do We Go From Here Consensus of Direction: Hilda H. Mason, Board of Education Adjournment

Local School Budgeting and Community Involvement

DISCUSSION DRAFT

Recently, the Council of the District of Columbia required that the Mayor, in consultation with the D.C. Public Schools, provide full cost information for the operation of each school and office within the purview of the Board of Education. The development of better cost information and school characteristic information will enable not only parents and citizens, but also local school personnel to make more informed choices about the operation of their school. The accessibility of such information is a critical element in the initiation of any such efforts.

Given this information's availability, it is necessary to develop strategies for its use which can significantly impact on the educational program in each school. This must of necessity include all facets of the educational community; not to sound like the voices of the past, it will include parents, teachers, citizens, and administrators working cooperatively to revitalize the procedures and practices of the system to maximize impact on the problems of each school.

Unit Budgeting

Local school-site budgeting is of critical importance to management and operational efficiency of the total school system as well as to local school communities. Such an approach to school budgeting allows for three major benefits:

- management control will be greatly enhanced at the central level, which can provide more sophisticated deployment of resources and anticipation of cost overruns, e.g. fuel, maintenance and so forth;

- location control will be enhanced for purposes of assuring equitable allocation of resources, which can provide an avenue for redress to the courts for equalization; and,

- distribution of costs within each school can easily be monitored by school personnel and community who will be able to track and budget expenses within each school, according to class, subject or program.

While management decentralization is an issue to be addressed in later years, after the development of an accurate, timely and effective reporting system, the monitoring of costs within a particular school or group of schools becomes practical at an earlier stage.

Information Available

With the adoption of Resolution 1-343 by the Council of the District of Columbia, "School Cost Center Reporting" will be set in place by the District government and central school administration. This means that for each given school in the District of Columbia there will be detailed financial information on a quarterly basis. This information will include: actual number of positions authorized, actual number of persons employed within a given school, actual official membership, average attendance information, and a breakdown of costs by all types recorded within the city and school accounting system. This information will be provided separately for D.C. funds and for federal funds and gifts.

Use of the Information

The information becomes a valuable tool for local schools in comprehending how the schools are operated, understanding the constraints which are experienced in managing the schools given budgetary freezes, and deciding how community involvement can enhance the efficient operation of the educational process. A critical issue in the use of the information is the development of a process whereby the community and parents can become more involved in the actual operation of their children's schools. In order to accomplish this several activities should take place: discussion of the issues to decide if the community wants to become involved; determination of how much involvement is practical and desirable by the community; and actual structuring of the school process to accomplish involvement. The community involvement models that have been successful have worked at all levels cooperatively and reasonable plans made in a logical manner without threatening local school staff or coopting parents and citizens influence.

Pat Nixon

Council of the District of Columbia
Memorandum

District Building, 14th and E Streets, N.W. 20004 Fifth Floor 724-8000

To Members of the Council

From Robert A. Williams, Secretary

Date November 17, 1976

Subject Retirement of Council Records

Attached are procedures to be used in identifying and preparing for storage records generated by Members and Committees of the Council. Although our procedures permit the transfer to the Secretary of official documents during each stage of the legislative process, there are many instances where files are created and documents received that are very significant to the history of legislative development, or important to retain for reference and possible future legislation. As well, administrative and general elective records of Members, accumulated during this Council period, should be retired or purged in order to maintain adequate file space for new records development.

It is extremely important that all staffs review the record contents and purge all duplicates or non-record materials before proceeding with the attached guidelines. Valerie Barry will be available to further explain the records transfer process and to develop record volume estimates needed in our negotiations with archival records facilities.

It is anticipated that the records retirement process will be completed by the December 18th recess of the Council. Your cooperation in this effort is appreciated.

Attachment

cc: Edward Webb, Jr.
Committee Clerks
LSU

RECORDS TRANSFER GUIDELINES

Council Period One

SERIES I -- LEGISLATIVE DEVELOPMENT RECORDS

Identification

Includes written and tape records of committee development and markup of legislation assigned. All tape records and written minutes of committee meetings, briefings and roundtable discussions are to be transferred for the official record.

All documents and records of legislation reported and filed with the Secretary should be a part of the Council's official file in the LSU. However, committee files should be checked to be sure all records have been forwarded to complete the history of legislation. Records often overlooked include relative interagency, business and legal correspondence; a representative sampling of public comment in the absence of a hearing; and reports and statistics to substantiate committee conclusions.

Committees have accumulated documents and records of assigned legislation that have not been reported and filed with the Secretary. Such records should be forwarded for maintenance as reference documents as provided in Section 6Q of the Rules of the Council.

Labeling and Packing

Records should be inserted in legal-size folders and labeled as follows: T/EA Committee Development of Bill 1-177 (example).

SERIES II -- EXPLORATORY RECORDS

Identification

Included are records of substantive research on matters of special interest, but those which were not legislatively assigned to the committee, though very important to retain in a Council Reference Library for future research or legislative development. Some examples are -- mortgage banking and investments, police surveillance, housing crisis, revenue sources, environmental pollutants, government manage-

ment, consumer issues, law enforcement, etc.

Labeling and Packing

Records should be inserted in legal-size folders or accordian folders for bulky records, and labeled as follows: Reference Records -- Subject: (short descriptive wording) ; Dates: (span of development).

SERIES III -- GENERAL RECORDS

Identification

Record contents at discretion of Member or Officer. However, such contents should not include records of limited status or those lacking significance or importance beyond the tenure of the Member or Officer. Recognizing the shortage of records storage space, it is strongly suggested that such temporary records be destroyed at the expiration of their usefulness.

Labeling and Packing

Contents should be inserted in boxes, with an outside label to identify the Name of the Member or Officer, with dates of records development and key subject wording to identify contents.

Council of the District of Columbia
Memorandum

District Building, 14th and E Streets, N.W. 20004 Fifth Floor 724-8000

To ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS AND STAFF

From ROBERT A. WILLIAMS, SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL

Date NOVEMBER 17, 1976

Subject PROCEDURES FOR SEPARATION/TERMINATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS AND STAFF

The attention of all Council Members and staff is called to the procedures to be followed whenever there is termination or separation from the Council.

Property items issued to the individual must be accounted for or turned in.

1. Submit, in writing, your letter of resignation, request for transfer or similar correspondence to the Secretary, giving the last date of service.

2. Account for all Council property assigned to you and return such items to the Director of the Support Service Unit. This includes typewriters and accessories, Secretary's Handbooks, Thesauruses, calculators, dictionaries, recording instruments and other non-expendable items.

3. Return all keys, issued to the staff member, to the Director of Support Services.

4. Return identification card to Kay Cochran along with your current forwarding address, in writing, including zip code.

Your cooperation in complying with these procedures when appropriate, will be appreciated.

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Section D

Sunday, March 13, 1977

THE KANSAS CITY STAR

Lesson in Court Failure on School Desegregation

THE COURTS AND SOCIAL POLICY by Donald L. Horowitz (309 Pages, Brookings Institution; $11.95 cloth; $4.95 paper).

By Sidney L. Willens

Can a federal judge devise a school desegregation plan and make it work? After all, he has no training to run a school system. He has virtually no staff to help him even if he were a school administrator. And, of course, a judge depends largely on lawyers to feed him facts.

If you believe the Kansas City school board should dump its desegregation problems into the lap of a federal judge, then your time has come to read "The Courts and Social Policy." The author, Donald L. Horowitz, is a lawyer and social scientist and former member of the Brookings Institution governmental staff.

The story begins 10 years ago when Julius Hobson, Sr., of Washington filed a school desegregation lawsuit against the school superintendent and school board of the District of Columbia. The black civil rights activist claimed black children were denied equal education opportunity.

The case was assigned to J. Skelly Wright, a federal judge who is well known among lawyers for his enlightened opinions. A year later, in 1967, Judge Wright thought he unraveled the "facts" and rendered a decision. He ruled in favor of Julius Hobson.

The school board agreed with Judge Wright, but the superintendent and some parents didn't. They appealed Judge Wright's decree. In 1969, three years after Julius Hobson filed his lawsuit, a 3-judge appellate court ordered Judge Wright to carry out his desegregation plan.

Judge Wright ordered faculty integration of schools and voluntary bussing to relieve overcrowding in black schools. He soon discovered that higher-paid teachers with seniority had the pick of schools under a union contract. They stayed where they were—in white schools.

Judge Wright also soon learned that out of 80,000 black elementary school pupils, 502 asked to be bussed to white schools.

Julius Hobson was getting nowhere fast. He went back to Judge Wright.

In late 1970 Judge Wright saw there was no way to racially integrate the District of Columbia schools with an overwhelming black majority. So he embarked on an examination of the distribution of resources between white and black schools. He finally concluded in a second decree that "teacher costs" ought to be spread evenly among 117 elementary schools, 100 of which were black.

A teacher "juggling act" began. Today here's how it works in the nation's capital.

School A with a high enrollment loses highly paid, experienced classroom teachers who retire or resign. They are replaced by lower paid, inexperienced classroom teachers. To increase faculty salary School A gets special-subject teachers in, say, math or reading to comply with Judge Wright's order of equalization of "teacher costs" among all schools. School A ends up with inexperienced teachers and special-subject teachers.

If School A loses enrollment the next semester and School B gains students, School B then gets School A's special-subject teachers to comply with Judge Wright's second order, which calls for "per pupil allocation of resources." School A ends up with inexperienced teachers and no special-subject teachers.

Judge Wright also called for computations based on actual, not projected, enrollments. Attendance figures do not get to the district's central office until December. (No computer capability is available to give instant attendance figures.) So most teacher-juggling takes place in the middle of the school year, much to the distress of black and white parents.

For Kansas Citians faced with finding a solution to our school desegregation dilemma, "The Courts and Social Policy" will be alarming. The book sounds warning signals against asking judges to solve our problem.

More and more, judges are telling communities how to run jails, prisons, mental hospitals and schools, to name a few tax-supported institutions. Courts lay down rules for other government operations. They have limited capacity to supervise.

Why do citizens turn to the courts? *Judges give answers. Legislators and* government bureaucrats don't, says Donald Horowitz. Judges can't pass the buck. They must decide. No other public or private institution is bound to be more responsive.

"Deprived social groups have joined the rich in the march to the courthouse," Horowitz writes. "They get nowhere with legislatures and government agencies, so they turn to the courts."

Lawyers tell judges what they want to hear, Horowitz says. So judges act with limited information. That's no way to decide things, especially social problems, Horowitz insists.

Judges frame a right rule for a particular case. They think they are dealing with more or less a uniform situation, but no situation is uniform. Human behavior is too unpredictable.

"No single rule or formula can anticipate all consequences flowing from it," Horowitz writes. "A judge decides facts today that change tomorrow—especially in a school desegregation case."

The U.S. Supreme Court is changing its mind so fast on school desegregation law that Horowitz thinks nobody can keep up with it. Less than two years after Judge Wright's second decree, Julius Hobson lost some constitutional underpinning for his claim. The high court no longer views as suspect "inadvertent" or "unintentional" discrimination of blacks.

The Supreme Court has also ruled, "At least where wealth is involved, the equal protection clause does not require absolute equality or precisely equal advantages."

Recent court decisions, Horowitz says, may account for Hobson's lack of interest in renewing litigation. (See accompanying box.) School officials are apparently loath to seek to modify or vacate Judge Wright's decree because of the apparent futility of future litigation.

Whether Kansas City suffers the fate of a resegregated school system is, of course, open to speculation. But in my effort the last two weeks to unravel law and facts here in preparing this review I interviewed people, inside and outside government, who are intimately involved in our problem. They are all well-intentioned, but their verbiage is overwhelming.

To say differences are a battle of words alone is an oversimplification. But words themselves and the dialectic which accompanies them have kindled emotional fires fanned further by total disagreement on what constitutes the law and facts upon which an effective plan must be based.

Good language alone will not get us a plan. But good language with sound legal reasoning on how statistical data must be interpreted to comply with law will help dedicated school board members to communicate with one another about realities of a plan.

A law firm guides the school board as a whole. Unlike me, the board's lawyers do not meet alone with individual board members, none of whom is a lawyer. If courts are baffled with the semantics of a desegregation plan surely our nine school board members can be expected to be. Lawyers have not been asked to deal with the specifics of a plan.

The battle in the District of Columbia may not be over. Kansas City's federal court litigation has not begun. But "The Courts and Social Policy" surely shows that no court battle is worthwhile. The virtual impotence of a federal judge to supervise a school desegregation decree is a lesson that should not be lost. Kansas Citians would do well to read the book and to remember the story of Julius Hobson.



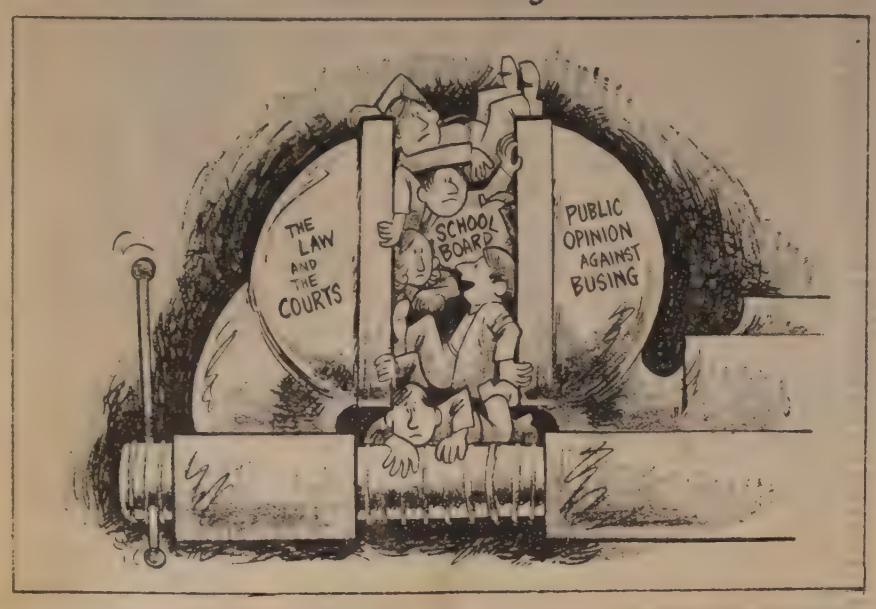
SIDNEY L. WILLENS

Search for Solution

When a person reviews a book for The Star he or she usually writes about 750 words, submits the manuscript and puts the book to rest. But Sidney L. Willens, after reviewing "The Courts and Social Policy," could not stop there. He decided to find out why the community hadn't found agreement on a school desegregation plan.

Willens, a Kansas City lawyer, may not have found all the answers in just two short weeks of investigation but he believes he knows why the school board hasn't come up with a plan the last 18 months. He also discovered that certain individuals know more about the problems than others.

'There are times when a life of public service seems less than rewarding'



Hulme in Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Up to Citizens to Adopt a Plan

By Sidney L. Willens

Should Kansas Citians take a lesson from Julius Hobson? Last week I telephoned Hobson in Washington. The 57-year-old city councilman confirmed the accuracy of his story in my review of "The Courts and Social Policy." I told Hobson the Department of Health, Education and Welfare had frozen new federal school funds here since an administrative law judge ruled our schools are illegally segregated.

"I urge Kansas Citians to come up with an acceptable desegregation plan," he said. "A judge can't do it. When all is said and done I got rid of a student 'tracking system' and the faculty was integrated. That's about all."

Is bussing an answer? I asked Hobson. "Not unless they roll soon enough," he replied. "It is ridiculous to talk about bussing in Washington today. The schools are 97 per cent black." (Kansas City schools are almost 65 per cent minority.)

"Judge Wright made his mistake when he based equalization on only teacher salaries," Hobson said. "He should have included capital outlays. Then students in old school buildings would have gotten new ones, as they should have."

Hobson said his 10-year fight cost $50,000. He still owes lawyers $18,000 personally because some people who promised to help him didn't come up with the money.

Hobson, who was a government employee 28 years, was elected a full-time District of Columbia councilman in 1974.

I asked Hobson if he had anything more to say before we ended the telephone conversation.

"Tell the people of Kansas City that blacks and whites ought to quit worrying about counteracting each other's prejudices. Tell them to educate their children to believe in themselves. And the only way to do that is to shoot for school excellence."

Time for Comparison Long Past

By Ashton Stovall
Project Director, Metropolitan Inter-Church Agency Task Force on Education

Kansas Citians have been going through a fascinating process while confronting the critical problem of school integration. In some ways the Board of Education has provided significant leadership by appointing a community task force, listening to the community for ideas and concerns, trying to balance those with known expectations of federal officials, contracting with specialists in developing possible solutions and facing other school problems at the same time, such as naming a superintendent.

In other ways, however, the board and the community have wasted time trying to interpret how Supreme Court decisions might relate to our situation. We shy away from taking action, whispering, "Look what happened in Boston, or Dayton, or . . ." Some of us try to justify some favored integration plan because "it provided peaceful integration of schools in other communities." To be honest with ourselves we must admit we have really been waiting to do only what we absolutely have to do.

It is time to quit making comparisons. Kansas City is Kansas City. We must quit trying to talk ourselves into, out of, or around school desegregation and commit ourselves to being the model for every other city to look to. We have forgotten that the basic premise of public education in this nation is to prepare our young people for "the real world." We should recognize that the quality education we talk about wanting for our children includes learning in a situation where they can see, understand and respect the differences in others.

Segregation in our society has many forms—some subtle and abstract, some open and blatant. For example, there should have been ample protection of voting rights under our constitution, but we had to take further special steps to assure those rights.

Our schools are another area where, quite simply, there is the kind of clout available to change things. That clout lies in federal power, in the courts and in the funding apparatus of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. The clout has been used in other communities, and it can be used here.

The time for studying and for planning is running out. The Kansas City school board must act responsibly *now* in deciding on a plan of action for desegregation, with high visibility given to the educational goals and innovations that must be a part of any effective system.

The future may hold court battles and decisions, metropolitan or other education problems, but in the meantime, parents, children and the community will know what next year will bring.

There are parents, community groups and organizations that stand ready to help in the effective implementation of an accepted plan. The superintendent is here to put such plan into action, but the board must first take that policy step.

If we don't take advantage of the time left to create good change, change of our own making, and not that of some federal judge, change that will strengthen, not weaken, our entire social system, we will find ourselves floundering in a greater chaos than many of us now feel caught up in already.



ASHTON STOVALL

More 'Poverty Schools' Likely

By Daniel U. Levine
Professor of Education, U.M.K.C.

Desegregating a big city school district is not as simple as was suggested by one expert who told the Desegregation Task Force that preparing a plan for Kansas City would be as easy as "diapering a baby."

Sixty-five per cent of the students are from minority groups. Approximately 55 per cent are from low-income families as measured by eligibility for subsidized lunches. In these circumstances it is difficult to extend integration without moving minority students from one largely minority school to another. It is difficult to desegregate without moving poverty students from one poverty school to another. And it is difficult to desegregate without creating still more poverty schools.

The modified 6C plan which the board is now considering includes some excellent components but it also includes some that may have a detrimental impact on the future of the district and the city. Its most serious deficiency involves the likelihood that it will create additional poverty schools.

One study I recently conducted indicated that 52 of the district's 73 elementary schools already are poverty schools in the sense that 40 per cent or more of their students are from low-income families. Schools with this high a concentration of poverty students—whether white or black—have difficult problems which generally result in very low achievement levels. Despite the expenditure of large sums of money in these schools, educators usually have been unable to improve significantly academic achievement in the face of problems associated with concentrating poverty.

In 1966, 49 per cent of the elementary schools had an average sixth-grade reading score of 5.8 or lower—one year or more below the national average. It is indicative of a situation in which a substantial proportion of students will finish their education functionally illiterate. As the proportion of poverty schools in the district has increased so, too, has the proportion of low-achievement schools. In 1976, 77 per cent of the elementary schools had an average score of 5.8 or lower.

In my judgment the modified 6C plan will shift about half of the remaining 21 nonpoverty schools to poverty status without meaningfully deconcentrating schools already impacted by poverty. Low achievement patterns will become still more widespread, and problems the district faces in dealing with concentrated poverty will be magnified rather than diminished.

The major "gain" for equal educational opportunity will be that white and black students will share equally as victims of the exacerbation of the

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DANIEL U. LEVINE



ROBERT H. FREILICH

Community Co-operation Vital

By Robert H. Freilich
Hulen Professor of Law in Urban Affairs, U.M.K.C.

Sidney Willens's book review is quite correct in a very significant respect. There can be no viable plan of integration within a central school district that is "majority-minority."

It is also singularly wrong if from that conclusion one unfortunately gains the impression that therefore school desegregation is a dead letter and we all should turn our attention to the myth of attempting "school excellence" within the minority district. There is, or course, an alternative to Hobson's choice—that is metropolitan integration.

Ever since the late 1960s we have been aware that our nation's cities are becoming increasingly segregated and apartheid. From World War II onward minorities and lower-income families have become increasingly isolated in older central city neighborhoods (including major in-migration from rural areas, the South, Spanish-speaking nations, etc.) while middle- and upper-income white families have fled to the suburbs, aided by institutional practices of the Federal Housing Administration (which effectively barred minorities from access to federally ensured or subsidized housing until 1968 and since then in suburban areas) and the Interstate Civil Defense Highway program of 1955 (colloquially known as the Interstate Freeway System).

The freeway system removed industrial and commercial facilities to the suburbs in the same way that the FHA removed middle- and upper-income housing. (The problem of massive housing deterioration and "abandonment" in central city neighborhoods is endemic to the nation—from Boston, New York and Baltimore to St. Louis, Chicago, Kansas City, Oakland, Denver, Los Angeles, San Diego. The Missouri Supreme Court in a recent case categorized our metropolitan areas as "doughnuts" with holes in the middle.)

During the middle 1960s the Johnson administration attempted massive infusion of federal funds into the central cities to prove that "model cities" could be created in the middle of impacted low-income and minority neighborhoods. The process proved to be a failure and led one commentator to describe the central city as "a sand-

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Participation in Plan Required by All of Us

By Sue Fulson
Member, Community Task Force on School Desegregation

Presently 77 per cent of all children in the Kansas City school district are being educated in environments of racial isolation. Plan 6C would reduce that to 33 per cent. While not a perfect or final solution it certainly would be viewed by HEW as a substantial step and one the community can afford.

Donald Horowitz, in his book, "The Courts and Social Policy," has illustrated what happens when communities refuse to accept responsibility for solving their own problems. With remarkable foresight, the school board determined that Kansas City should, could and would solve its own problems on a voluntary basis.

On Nov. 20, 1975, the Community Task Force on School Desegregation was organized by the Board of Education and assigned the responsibility of devising an "acceptable" desegregation plan. The members were drawn from all areas of the city.

We heard of the same arguments the public is now hearing, each repeated numerous times with growing emotion and in intricate detail. We listened to groups that wanted total change. We listened to groups that wanted no change. We spent months educating each other and negotiating the solution.



SUE FULSON

It should be clearly understood that the task force unanimously supports metropolitan desegregation as the final and only way to provide a stable setting for continuous equal access to education (equal access being the constitutional requirement we must meet). We are assured repeatedly that it will take years to bring this about. In the meantime it is imperative for us to find a way to eliminate as much of the existing racial isolation within our own boundaries as possible.

A solution was sought which would (1) "realistically promise to work now," (2)bring us into compliance with the law, and (3)distribute the inconvenience of change as equally as possible.

The fact that the district is 65 per cent minority and that fear and mistrust exist in both the majority and minority segments of the community emphasized the need for a plan which would be acceptable to both. For the plan to work, participation is required by all of us.

Plan 6C, with suggested modifications now before the Board of Education, pays heed to the parents who say the neighborhood is an important factor in educating their children. Because Kansas City's housing patterns do not generally provide integrated neighborhoods, 6C outlines minor changes in high school attendance boundaries. The West, Westport, Southwest, East, Northeast and Van Horn areas were enlarged to create student integrated populations. All of

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French Envoy on Own in 'Charming' Job

By Linda Charlton
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Washington—There are 129 embassies in this city, from Afghanistan to Zambia, housed in buildings that range from converted hotels to Georgian-style mansions, a part of the official Washington landscape whose real function is only vaguely understood.

A new administration means a brief flurry of additional work, especially on the social side, where new lists of who-should-come-to-dinner must be drawn up, but the daily life of an embassy continues much as it did before Jan. 20.

Not that all embassies are the same, even allowing for 129 different national personalities. Some, like the Soviet Embassy, function in deliberate obscurity; most are far more relaxed. They range in size from the British, probably the largest embassy in town with a staff of about 600, to Cape Verde or Luxembourg, which consist of an ambassador and a secretary or two.

The word "embassy" itself is misleading. An embassy is usually at least two buildings—the chancery where business is conducted and the ambassador's residence where the more publicized social glitter is dispensed. Sometimes the two buildings are the same; sometimes, as with the Hungarians, the ambassador's residence is an apartment; quite often, as with the British and the Iranians, the chancery and residence are side by side.

And sometimes the congeries of offices and functions comprised in the word "embassy" are scattered around the city. This is the case with the French Embassy, one of the "major" embassies in terms of size and prestige. The chancery is an unimposing but large brick building on a quiet street off Massachusetts Avenue. The ambassador's residence is a far grander building. But most of the embassy's services—the military mission, the cultural, commercial, scientific, agricultural, transportation and others—are scattered around the city in about a dozen offices.

Only 46 of the 216 embassy staff members work at the chancery, including the ambassador, Jacques Kosciusko-Morizet, and the 23 political officers, who are members of the French foreign service. Most of the others are not.

France and the United States are old allies; relations between the two countries are generally amiable and smooth, except for moments of crisis such as, most recently, the Abu Daoud affair.

What, then, can occupy the time of more than 200 people? All but 10 or so of them are French, and they are generally well paid. A secretary at the embassy makes about $12,000 a year, and a counselor, married and with two children, perhaps $36,000. In both cases, no United States income tax is paid, and only minimal French taxes.

For Kosciusko-Morizet the day begins at 7:30. He does some jogging, bathes and dresses, reads two and sometimes three newspapers with his breakfast of tea and English muffins. He reads the editorial pages with special care, he said in a recent interview. "For me this is very very important." Often, because of the time difference, there are already telephone calls from Paris to be answered, and by 9 or 9:30 a.m. he has been driven to his office in the chancery in his Peugeot limousine.

First he reads the French press review that is prepared by the press office daily, the important news from the Agence France-Presse wire-service machine that ticks away in a corridor, and Le Monde. There are usually cablegrams from the Quai D'Orsay waiting, too.

By 10 a.m. he meets twice a week with the diplomats to discuss what he, or they, think is important.

Then there are his own chores. The morning of the interview, he said, he had been instructed by Paris to request an appointment with Secretary of State Cyrus R. Vance. "I have some problems to discuss with Mr. Vance," he said, giving no details.

Then there is often time for visitors, French or American, before his usual "working lunch." After lunch he reads reports and tends to his correspondence. The ambassador said he reads all the mail sent to him. At least once a week there is a long afternoon meeting with the heads of all the services.

Kosciusko-Morizet's "public-relations" role is, of course, particularly useful at those rare moments of crisis in U.S. French relations. A spokesman for one of the organizations protesting the Abu Daoud affair said that while its public protests had evoked no personal reply from the embassy, he had been impressed by the vigor and ubiquitousness of Kosciusko-Morizet's commentary on radio and television. "He was all over," the spokesman said.

Before he leaves for his residence, the ambassador goes over the day's messages to Paris with his second-in-command, the ministry counselor, before they are sent. Many are replies to earlier questions—on, for instance, the Carter style, a Senate debate or what the secretary of state said.

It is often, he said, 7 p.m. before he gets home. "This would be the most charming job in the world if there were nothing after 7 p.m.," he added.

But there are receptions, cocktail parties and dinners to go to and to give. Or he may be on the plane to New York to make a speech or appear on television.

The ambassador said that while he reflects his country and its policies, he is still independent: "I rarely ask for instructions," he said. "I know the guidelines. I have colleagues who cannot move a finger without asking permission."

Jacques Guibe is the agricultural attache, and recently he has been watching the weather here with great care. The poor vegetable crops and resulting high prices prompted him to ask his ministry in Paris about the possibility of exporting French vegetables to this country.

"I am just here to ensure all the possible links between the two scientific communities," said Francois Davoine, the scientific counselor. He tries to put specialists from each country in touch with each other, and he travels widely to try and find out what are the likely "trends."

Elsewhere in Washington, Andre Gadaud, the cultural counselor, concerns himself with such matters as the 300 French students in this country on postgraduate scholarships, the 60 French professors teaching the language in Louisiana's schools, the logistics for a Paris opera tour.

Brig. Gen. Pierre Birden, the defense attache, keeps the French military informed about American defense policy. Col. Henri Michel takes care of the procurement of some of the many weapons France buys from this country. Leonce Lanselot-Basou, the transportation counselor, is the man to see about the Concorde. Financial Minister Jacques Wahl's duties include talking with bankers about the amount of the issue and the rate for the public issues made recently by the big French state-owned corporations.

Higher Public Salaries Are A Hot Potato

No single issue in this era of American government seems to strike a more sensitive nerve with the taxpayers than pay increases for elected officials. The very mention of the subject seems to send most people right up the wall.

Certainly this was true of the recent boost received by Congress. The Missouri Compensation Commission has followed by recommending some hefty hikes for the Legislature, the judiciary and the statewide officials. The tremors are already being felt. While the shock waves have yet to reach Richter-scale intensity, they could do so after the plan becomes generally understood by the public.

It is the same at City Hall in Kansas City. No matter that the council has not had a raise since 1964, and everyone knows what has happened to costs since then. Yet every time a salary adjustment has been proposed for the council, it has been promptly shot down at the polls.

The fact that such negative reactions make no sense in practical terms is totally irrelevant. If experienced and able officials fall by the way for lack of adequate compensation, it seems to make no difference at all.

It strikes us the taxpayers have adopted a double standard that is dangerous and potentially destructive to their own interests. On the one hand officials are expected to work long hours, accomplish sterling deeds and to be above reproach in every way. On the other hand those same "servants" are considered greedy if they expect to feed their families, educate their children and enjoy a few of the amenities.

There is an old American adage that says "you get what you pay for in life." If that is true, and it so often is, then the taxpayers should expect very little from their elected officials because they are willing to pay most of them so little.

Another often-heard standby goes something like this: "Public service should be sought for the honor, not for the rewards." That, of course, is also true. But in this highly inflationary society, it takes a good deal more than "honor" to balance a checkbook.

That brings us back to the recent recommendations for Missouri. They were formulated by a special 9-member commission, which had no chips in the game and no concern in the outcome other than the welfare of the state. It was a hardworking group and those who attended at least some of its sessions found the members to be conscientious and perceptive.

After weighing many factors, and hearing hours of testimony across the state, they put together a pay-adjustment plan to bring Missouri closer into line with the present price structure and the salaries paid officials in other states. It should come as no surprise that the commission recommended boosts across the board. No other outcome was even remotely conceivable, based on the facts.

Missouri has been notoriously stingy with its officials. The level of pay has become a joking matter elsewhere, prompting some to roll their eyes, shake their heads and speculate why anyone would be willing to serve for such a paltry sum.

For example, the salary of Missouri's attorney general ranks 41st among the 50 states. The lieutenant governor, who is now at his desk full time, receives $16,000 a year. Short of an outside income, there is no way an intelligent, ambitious family man could hold the job for that figure and expect to cover all of the expenses of public life.

The judiciary is grossly underpaid. A good judge should never expect to make as much as a talented lawyer practicing outside government. But the gap between the two categories is now so exaggerated that it has become increasingly difficult to obtain judges of the highest caliber. Prestige and service are one thing. Paying one's bills is also important.

Missouri's meager pay scale for elected officials has been compounded with the passage of time. It wasn't much in the late 1960s when most of the salaries were frozen. It is much less today because nothing else in the economy has been frozen.

No doubt many taxpayers would holler and moan over any increase at all. Some of a more practical bent, while recognizing a need, might be a bit more parsimonious than the compensation commission. The Legislature offers an example.

This is not the first attempt to boost income for members of the House and the Senate. After all other tactics failed, a decision was made to tie legislative salaries into increases for the judges and the other officials. To be blunt, it was a clever bit of blackmail. The theory was that if the General Assembly got nothing, neither would anyone else.

Under the commission's formula, the lawmakers would go from $8,400 to $15,000 a year. The Star has consistently believed the Legislature was entitled to a pay hike, but only after it was earned. The *quid pro quo* was extensive reform. While it is true that some good changes have been made and others are under way, the basic surgery has yet to be done. Rep. Kenneth Rothman, speaker of the House, was correct when he recently pointed out that many improvements have been pushed through. Some are excellent and Rothman deserves much credit for his role in that achievement.

But the House still has a long way to go and to a lesser degree so does the Senate. One of the most glaring deficiencies is the absence of a strong code of conduct. The compensation commission urged, but did not require, such a conflict of interest code as a part of the pay package. Those rules are long overdue in Missouri.

In addition, the House is far too large for effective committee work and an intelligent debate of the issues. It should be reduced to less than 100 members. Still no provisions have been made for carrying over bills from one session to the next between elections. The list of still-needed basic reforms stretches on.

Pay increases can be used as an incentive for winning reforms. Once the money flows, there is far less interest in changing discredited procedures. To be charitable about it, the Legislature is probably entitled to some additional money because of the continuing erosion of able members who can no longer afford to serve. A 78 per cent boost—before reform is completed—does strike us as putting the cart far in front of the horse.

Similar reservations are unnecessary for the judiciary and the statewide officials. Their present pay scale falls far below the responsibilities of those offices and they should not become pawns in any hassle over legislative salaries.

A few extra dollars out of a state budget that is approaching $3 billion mean nothing. The quality of the judiciary, the statewide officials and even the Legislature, after it puts its own affairs in order, is far more significant to Missouri. And like it or not, salary levels do affect the caliber of the men and women who are willing to serve.



Essential Test

By Sergio Leitao

Rio de Janeiro (AP)—If you are a Brazilian and you speak English well enough to know that "nonsense" implies "foolishness," then you have a solid chance of going to a university.

Meanings of words and phrases in foreign languages are among the thousands of answers students are being asked to give in this year's "vestibular," a massive, week-long battery of tests for admission to Brazilian universities.

In Portuguese-speaking Brazil, passing the vestibular is the basic requirement for entering a university. Unlike in the United States, high school grades, teacher recommendations and college interviews count for little or nothing as credit for college-bound Brazilians.

Recently more than 1 million Brazilian secondary school graduates sat down for the gruelling, make-it-or-break-it exams. About two thirds were expected to fail the complex, multiple-choice tests administered in high school gyms, public libraries and even sports arenas.

For those who pass the exams and enter universities, admission is free at the government-owned universities. But the course could be highly expensive for those who pass the test in privately owned universities.

In the Gama Filho University in Rio de Janeiro, for instance, the medical and engineering courses could cost as much as $120 (U.S.) a month.

Carl T. Rowan

Why Peace Remains Unlikely in Mideast

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Washington—On the day that Israel's Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin arrived in this city, wondering what territorial and other concessions to the Arabs Jimmy Carter would demand of him, the Washington Post published on the front page an interview with the wild man of the Palestinian Liberation Organization (P.L.O.).

Reuters quoted George Habash as saying that if the P.L.O. chose a peaceful settlement of the Mideast dispute, guaranteeing Israel's survival in exchange for establishment of a Palestinian state on the West Bank, then Habash's radical forces would leave the P.L.O. and go on trying to destroy Israel.

Later that day President Carter endorsed Israel's demand for "defensible borders"—a clear implication that his administration will not demand that Israel give back all territories taken during the 1967 war—such as the Golan Heights from Syria, the West Bank areas from Jordan or various holy places in Jerusalem.

The State Department rushed to deny that Mr. Carter's remarks implied any policy change—but a retreat from the pressures Henry Kissinger was putting on Israel was made obvious by his remarks.

These "little" developments within hours illustrate why peace remains unlikely in the turbulent Middle East.

We have a case in which hardliners in the Arab and Israeli camps effectively block moves toward peace, even though an end to hostilities is clearly in the interest of both sides.

Egypt's Anwar Sadat, his country near economic ruin, long ago decided Israel is a reality that will not vanish—especially considering the strong U.S. commitment to the Jewish state's survival. To a lesser degree Yasir Arafat, P.L.O. leader, seemed to have accepted this reality when I talked to him almost two years ago.

Some Israelis think it is possible to make peace with Sadat, even with Arafat, and have Israel exist in relative security side-by-side with a Palestinian state. They want to gamble in this direction because they find the alternative of interminable conflict and periodic wars unacceptable.

But then a Habash sounds off, or Muammar Khadafy of Libya asserts that Arabs will never abandon the goal of destroying Israel. In the eyes of most Israelis, their threats override any possibility of meaningful consideration of the honesty of Sadat or Arafat in saying they accept Israel as a state.

Arab ultramilitants like Habash give heart and support to those Israelis who will not trust any Arab far enough to feel secure with any peace arrangement. These are the Israelis who think security lies in nothing less than the retention of as much territory as Israel can hold and the maintenance of fighting forces superior to anything the Arabs can throw against Israel. They include the amassing of stockpiles of nuclear weapons in Israel's security package.

The hardliners in Israel know that their country's economy is weakened, its manpower diminished, by wars and preparations for wars. They see thousands of Jews scared away from their homeland. But people like Habash leave them so fearful of "peace" that they see self-destruction in almost every concession.

So the conflict rages on, year after year, with self-generating momentum toward a new war.

One outside force—the United States—leaps in from time to time to try to force some feeble steps away from catastrophic warfare.

But we are all left to wonder how long stopgap diplomacy can keep this Mideast time bomb from exploding.

James J. Kilpatrick

Court Ruling Reverse Discrimination

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Washington—From time to time the Supreme Court is charged not with merely interpreting the Constitution but with effectively amending the Constitution. From time to time the charge is true—and the charge is true today in the matter of the court and the 15th Amendment.

The recent decision in the New York redistricting case marked another mile along the road. Step by step the court is writing language into the 15th that the framers never put there. In its solicitude for black voters as a class, the court is giving an Orwellian twist to the doctrine of equal protection: Black voters, as a class, are to be a little more equal than others.

The New York case, affecting state legislative districts in Kings County, arose under the Federal Voting Rights Act. In obedience to an order from the U.S. attorney general fixing a minimum quota of 65 per cent nonwhite voters, the state drew new district lines. These new boundaries split a community of Hasidic Jews. They took their protest to court. Last week the high court dismissed their protest and affirmed the quota plan.

The effect of the court's ruling is further to cement a bizarre doctrine the court has been busily building in recent years. This doctrine holds that black voters, as a class, have a right and a privilege accorded to no other group in America's political life: They have a right never to have their bloc political power "diluted."

Alone among all the ethnic, economic, social, regional and special-interest groups in the nation, the black minority is to be protected against nullification of "its ability to elect the candidate of its choice." By this decision the court establishes a "constitutionally valid mandate of maintaining nonwhite voting strength."

It is hard to fathom where in the world the court dredged up this remarkable construction of the law. The 15th Amendment says that the right to vote shall not be "denied or abridged" on account of race. The amendment says nothing about "diluting" the political power of a racial bloc. This is the court's own homespun construction.

In the case at hand neither Kings County nor the state of New York denied or abridged any citizen's right to register and vote. The black man, the Puerto Rican, the Hasidic Jew—all of them, as individual citizens, had identical rights. But under the court's ruling, black voters are treated as a favored class. They are to be guaranteed, in particular districts, a "substantial majority," and this is to assure their opportunity to elect a "black representative."

The court split wide open. White announced the court's judgment and wrote the principal opinion, but he could sell his reasoning, in toto, only to Stevens. Brennan and Blackmun had different ideas. Stewart and Powell concurred in the judgment. Rehnquist dissented in large part, but he didn't say why. Marshall sat this one out. Chief Justice Burger came down in total dissent.

Mr. Justice Brennan was plainly troubled. The case, he said, "carries us further down the road of race-centered remedial devices than we have heretofore traveled." The idea of affording "preferential treatment to disadvantaged nonwhites generally" must raise "serious questions of fairness."

All this was too much for Burger. He had thought it unconstitutional for a state to draw district lines "with the sole, explicit objective of reaching a predetermined racial result." This was precisely what his brothers had approved in Kings County. The 65 per cent quota struck him as indefensible—mere mechanical racial gerrymandering.

I voice no objection whatever to the purpose of the Voting Rights Act. That purpose is to protect the black citizen's right to vote on the same basis with everyone else. But when the individual's right to vote is transformed into a group's protected power to elect, something is grossly wrong.

Russell Baker

No Future in Illicit Vice Market

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New York—The Mafia needs a new godfather and the papers say it looks like Carmine Galante will get the job. Let him have it, I say. That's what I said, in fact, when a Mafia headhunter interviewed me about taking the job. "If you don't take it," he said, "it will go to one of the old-timers like Galante."

"Let Galante have it," I said.

Despite my swagger, it wasn't an easy job to turn down. I fancied having people lined up outside the house every day waiting to kiss my hand. Also, I was dying with curiosity about where Jimmy Hoffa was buried.

As the godfather," I told the interviewer, "I assume I'd be let in on the secret of where Jimmy Hoffa is buried."

"Impossible," he said. "In the Mafia we have the code of silence. For anyone who talks . . ." He delicately wiggled four fingers across his windpipe. "Such people," he said, "get a kiss on each cheek and then go to New Jersey."

"That's another thing," I said. "That business of being kissed on both cheeks before going to New Jersey has to go. If somebody talks, we can dispense with the osculation and simply give him a bus ticket to Hackensack."

"I'll submit your proposal to the families," he said.

And tell them they're not going to be called families any more," I said. "Big outfits these days have teams. We'll have a management team, an operations team, a sales team, an acquisition team . . ."

"I don't think you should press that," said the interviewer. "The families are very proud and hot-tempered. People who attack them often get buried in New Jersey."

"That's another threadbare old custom that has to go," I said. "It's ridiculous always burying bodies in the same state. You need variety, a change of pace. Bodies have to be buried in Virginia, Wisconsin, Idaho. It's time to go national on interment."

"It sounds very costly," said the interviewer.

"It'll pay for itself in national publicity," I said.

"Our problem," he said, "is that we are hard-pressed for new revenue sources. Every time we develop a rich new field of vice, governments move in on us and take it over."

It sounded as if he was trying to soften me up to accept a trifling salary offer, probably without bonus guarantees. I told him. I didn't mind having the respect and the hand-kissing that went with the godfathership, but that wasn't enough. I had to have the big bucks, too.

He told a tale of woe. All the godfatherlets were already wondering where the next illicit buck was coming from, he said. Once they had made millions from bootlegging whiskey, but when the government saw how profitable it was, it legalized hooch and took the gravy for itself.

So the Mafia developed the bookmaking industry and cleaned up. What happened? States like New York, seeing a chance for a killing, legalized bookmaking, moved in and took the gravy for themselves.

So the Mafia went into the gambling-house racket and made a mint until the politicians said, "Hey, let's move in on the gambling-house racket and take the gravy for ourselves." First Nevada muscled in, which was bad enough, and now New Jersey was going into gambling houses, and New York was sure to follow.

"Why don't you bump off New Jersey and bury it in South Carolina?" I asked.

"Because we've got drugs," he said. The trouble is the Mafia can't count on having drugs forever. Marijuana will probably be legalized any year now, which means the politicians will start by muscling in on the grass market."

"There will still be heroin," I said. "No government will ever legalize heroin to turn a buck."

"That's what they said about bookmaking 20 years ago and about the gambling-house racket year before last," he said. "In England, the government already is selling heroin."

Having my hand kissed seemed like small compensation for running an outfit with no more future than fur highjackings and cigarette bootlegging. "Get out of here," I snarled, handing the headhunter a bus ticket to Hackensack. To be a vice king nowadays you've got to hold public office.

Issues, Not Image, a President's Proper Concern

Excuses, Not Reasons

Just what lily-livered editorial writer wrote the Carter whitewash, "Being President Is Bound to Change the Campaigner" (The Star, Feb. 26)? That's all it is—apologia for lies. The language wasn't even impressive. I wonder what the comment would have been had the names been Ford or Nixon instead of Carter. Ford would have been "stupid in not carrying out his promises" and Nixon would have "lied to the people."

At least 40 per cent of the people could detect the campaign oratory—anything to get to the Oval Office—and many who voted Democrat are still giving the President the benefit of the doubt. They will, of course, even if his silly dabbling blasts the economy and wrecks our foreign policy diplomacy.

As a "people" I'm more interested in a President's intelligent handling of the grave issues we face than in one who wishes to give a folksy image to the world. Campaign issues should be the concern of the majority, and if they are worthwhile, should be the concern of those who win the election.

I'm glad, myself, that some of the oratory isn't going to be effective—and hope several utterly socialistic programs won't be introduced, let alone considered and voted on. Those, though, seem to be Carter's forte.

His ridiculous comprehensive health program, for example, is indeed folly to consider. Who wants it, really? It has failed everywhere else, and what reason have we to believe it won't fail here? At the present, we can't seem to take care of Medicare with a regular increase in insurance payments from those receiving its benefits. Who besides the labor magnates wants to destroy Taft-Hartley's 14B which gives back to the individual the right to work without having to pay into a union for his job? Every Democrat administration has tried to get rid of it, at the behest of labor.

The above are only a few problems—Carter's proposals—made, perhaps, by some one or two past presidential hopefuls who haven't made it by the front door, and who I hope never make it to the highest office in the land.

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Overland Park

Free the Airways

If the FCC can be abolished, the U.S. government will be saved millions of dollars in taxes. When any government agency does anything that denies or infringes upon the First Amendment rights of the people, that agency becomes the enemy of the people and should be eliminated.

President Carter promised the nation he would reduce the number of agencies and also he is going to reduce the size of the government.

One of the first places he ought to begin is with the Federal Communications Commission. It should be completely abolished, and an agency, either governmental or private, set up to assign the wavelengths and look after the technical matters that are involved, and that is all.

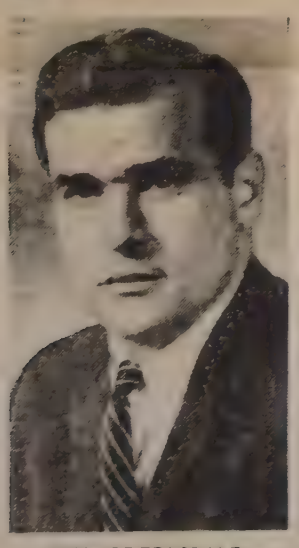
The stations should be allocated their licenses on a first-come, first-served basis. They should be permitted to operate in the free and open market like any other operation in this country.

Congress should pass laws that would protect the licenses and the radio world would be out from under the scare, the scandal and the suppression that threaten its very life.

Attorneys for the big networks and the big establishment obtain hundreds of thousands of dollars for their services. The high cost of time on the stations, which the gospel ministers buy, and the whole structure of TV and radio oppression would be demolished with the granting to radio and TV of the same status the newspapers are enjoying.

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GOV. JOE TEASDALE
. . . his mandate is blocked

He Deserves Help

One of Joe Teasdale's platform planks during his campaign was to help the consumer in his plight with unending higher utility rates. A consensus of opinion might reveal this to be the major factor in his upset victory over Kit Bond. The closeness of the margin of victory however, would hardly seem to imply Teasdale had won a mandate from the people to overhaul our system of governing the utilities. Or does it?

Just weeks before the election, most polls had Bond leading by 15 per cent, an almost unbeatable lead for a short span of time. Yet Teasdale did come from behind to beat Bond, primarily by exploiting one issue: The rising cost of utilities. He pledged to fire four of the Public Service Commission members, adequately staff the Public Council, ban "fuel adjustment" clauses and in general overhaul our utility regulatory system. Did he receive a mandate to go ahead with these plans? This writer feels he did.

What kind of help is the governor

Speaking the Public Mind

getting from the state Legislature in implementing his plans? Judging from recent articles in The Star, very little.

When a motion was put before the Senate State Department Committee to send the governor's utility plan to the floor of the Senate, it died for lack of a second. Not one person in eight would second the chairman's motion. Instead, the committee is writing a much-watered-down version of the governor's plan for the Senate to vote on.

The House is also dragging its feet. It too is watering down legislation to strengthen the Public Council's office. It appears the 37 utility lobbyists are very effective.

At a recent legislative forum in Clay County, the legislators in attendance were pessimistic about any substantial legislation regarding utilities forthcoming in this legislative session. Some of the legislators praised the members of the P.S.C.

Questioned as to why the utilities charge almost 5 per cent as a service charge for payments made past 10 days of the billing date, Mr. Don Landes of K.C.P.& L. reasoned that it was necessary to help defray the cost of collecting from "deadbeats" who don't pay their bills on time. Business in the private sector usually allows 30 days from the billing date for payments to be paid, then assesses a service charge of approximately 1.5 per cent. I do not feel that a person who gets a utility bill almost triple the amount he expected and cannot pay it in 10 days is a "deadbeat".

The current members of the P.S.C. last year allowed the Gas Service Company eight increases, totaling 38 per cent. If this trend is allowed to continue, many fixed-income and lower-income families will almost certainly go without heat next winter for their budgets are already strained.

The utilities are constantly reminding us that natural resources are not unlimited. They should also reflect on the fact that the public's financial resources are also not unlimited.

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FIDEL CASTRO
. . . wasting America's time

U.S. Can Wait

I am having difficulty visualizing any circumstances under which resumption of relations with Cuba would be of any benefit to the United States. We do not need their sugar at the price Russia is paying for it, and we certainly do not need to sell Cuba any oil at the price they are paying Russia—and on the cuff, at that. They have no coffee to sell us, for this commodity is in such short supply that Cubans are severely rationed, something like a few ounces a month. Most of all, we do not need their tourist accommodations, which they would dearly love to sell us. This is one place that can't get rich off the Russians.

I listen periodically to Cuban news broadcasts, which still emphasize the faults and sins of our country and reiterate the Cuban desire to lead all the western hemisphere into communism. This desire is backed with active agents in every country they can penetrate; and in those countries like Argentina that will not tolerate them, they are vociferous in their wails over human rights. This is where they seem to have a lot in common with President Carter.

The Cubans still are trying to persuade Puerto Rico that it is under U.S. domination and should throw off the yoke. They follow the same line in Panama. Where is the outward indication of their desire for friendship with us?

When and if there is a change in the Cuban government at the top, we might find reason to listen to their overtures. So long as Castro is entrenched in power, it would be a waste of time. I can, however, see "the light at the end of the tunnel"—if the Cubans continue to have to fight wars in Angola and other places, just because their Russian masters command this, sooner or later they are going to get tired of it all. It is the army that keeps Castro where he is; and when the army gets enough, he will topple.

America is a patient country. We can wait until then.

Don Pryor

Kansas City

The Time Is Now

"All men are created equal"—this is the founding fathers' claim.

It is with equal fervor we must now ratify the Equal Rights Amendment. I support all states' consideration of the E.R.A. as a model document "whose time has come."

Bob Padley

Overland Park

Taking out the trash



Long in Minneapolis Tribune

I have read with considerable interest an editorial that appeared in the Wednesday, March 2, Times, dealing with the problems of disposing of solid wastes. I would like to disagree, and at the same time agree with several points that were brought out in this editorial.

First of all, the burning of solid waste is permitted, so long as it is incinerated in a modern, pollution-free incinerator. This is by far the only effective way of rendering these otherwise objectionable wastes to a sterile, inorganic compound that could then be disposed of in a landfill.

With respect to "sanitary" landfills, I have yet to see one, even today, that was free from "stench and flies" and prevented the inevitable leaching of harmful materials into the surrounding soil and streams. As a case in point, Kansas City's landfills have dwindled over the last few years from several to now only one, that one being located at 81st and Indiana.

As to the recycling of waste paper, this is another matter. There are many factors that enter into this aspect of solid waste, primarily economics. Practically all waste paper recyclers have certain criteria that govern the amount paid per ton. As an example, if plastics, metal or foreign material is a part of the paper, then the cost of segregating the paper into a homogenous grouping drastically reduces the value. It then becomes more valuable as a fuel, which can be utilized in a pollution-free, waste-fired incinerator/heat recovery system.

Equipment is now available that can recover 65 per cent of the heat generated by the incineration process for use in steam boilers and hot air recovery units with a corresponding reduction in the amount of outside fuel, such as gas or oil. In fact, many of these units are in use today which are providing in some instances all of the primary heat requirements for factories and in all cases are operating substantially cleaner than the allowable limits for emission levels.

Tom Prudden

Kansas City

Singles Penalized

The single couples who are "living in sin" are really none of Jimmy Carter's business. His new tax proposals, which would punish the single taxpayers, are unjust and unfair, especially to those singles who are not "living in sin." He seems to be using the tax laws to force people into marriage. I always thought love should be a prime factor in marriage.

Doing away with the $750 personal exemption for each dependent will also punish the middle-income taxpayer. In order to avoid higher taxes, this taxpayer will have to get his taxable income under $16,000. So if the gross income is $19,000, the taxpayer better hope he has $3,000 worth of deductions.

Of course, if the taxpayer has a wife and two kids, under the old law he would have $6,000 to deduct from his gross income, but without the personal exemption, he will have to lower his income through itemized deductions. And if he rents, he won't have any home mortgage interest to deduct, and he could show up "rich" on his tax return.

These new proposals are fair? When there are those who make over $200,000 and don't pay a penny of tax?

T. J. Soper

Independence

Do Nothing

What we need at this stage of our country's history is a "do-nothing" Congress. Every time they make a new law, they take away a little of the average person's freedom or a little of his money or both.

Some people seem to be obsessed with the idea that the federal government can do everything for them and pay for everything. Whenever it does something for you, you lose some more freedom. Whenever it pays for something, it is coming out of your own pocket.

Rita Stoddet

Kansas City

Terminal Inflation

We learn from the media that President Carter has grounded a few planes and limousines that had previously been used to transport government higher-ups. That action will have about as much over-all effect on government spending as pouring a bucket of fresh water in the ocean will have on the ocean's salinity.

He promised a balanced budget in 1980. Let's not give him much credit for the plane and limo grounding when he at the same time wants to raise President Ford's big deficit budget by another $20 billion. Here comes more printing press money, public debt and inflation.

We've got terminal inflation. The economy is on the Titanic, headed north. There is not a politician in sight with enough patriotism to risk his own political hide and tell it like it is. We've been living too high for too long. We've been giving away too much to too many.

We will get "saved" someplace down the road by a Hitler, a Mussolini or a Castro.

Ramon Wicker

Houstonia, Mo.

Enjoy Retirement

As a senior citizen I would like to let the public know what I think of retirement. I worked until I was past 68 years old; I retired as chef at William Jewell College on July 1, 1965. In the 12 years since, my wife and I have traveled over 300,000 miles by train, plane, bus and car. We have put over 200,000 miles on three automobiles.

I have over 2,500 hours of voluntary work at the VA Hospital in Leavenworth. I have prepared meals for from 30 to 1,000 persons to help out some worthy cause.

These last twelve years have been the most enjoyable of my life. As a veteran of both World War I and World War II, I traveled a lot, but it was not as enjoyable as the traveling my wife and I have done in the last 12 years.

There is no reason why anyone should dread retirement as there is plenty to do and see. All our hospitals can use volunteers and then your church always has things that need doing. Your neighbor may need a little help. So my advice to you who are about to retire—make it the best time of your life by helping others. I am now past 80 years old and I hope to go on helping others as long as the Lord lets me live.

Daniel H. Burton

Kansas City, Kansas

A Service

I want to thank The Star for selecting the article by Mr. Don North that appeared in the Travel section, Sunday, March 6. It was one of the most revealing articles I ever read on health problems for those of us who travel by ship and was long overdue.

Exposing these health problems, I am sure, will prevent many travelers from undue suffering they would otherwise have to go through.

Fred G. Schuetz

Kansas City

Sports First

I recently attended both nights of the Big Eight Post-Season Tournament. Let me say that the championship game was one of the most exciting I have seen. But some things happened in that game I would rather not have seen.

As any basketball or any other sports official can tell you, irrational conduct by players, coaches and fans is getting worse all the time. Both players and coaches from Missouri and Kansas State did not help the situation by any means.

Kim Anderson of the Tigers and Curtis Redding of the Wildcats both played good basketball when they weren't openly questioning an official's decision. The most surprising incident occurred early in the second half when Coaches Norm Stewart (M.U.) and Jack Hartman (K-State) nearly came to blows. Both of these incidents naturally incensed the crowd, which led to ice and other objects being thrown on the court.

I understand that it was a very emotional contest, but the outburst of the two coaches, who represent their schools and the conference, was totally uncalled for.

Outbreaks of unruliness are common in professional sports and have obviously found their way into collegiate events. Also, in my work with younger age groups, I see it at high school, junior high and even grade school games.

All this has to end somewhere. There are many "fans" who attend games only to berate the officials or the opposition, and they certainly don't need encouragement from coaches or participants.

Please, Norm, please, Jack, and please, unruly fans—stop your foolish actions at sporting events so those of us who attend for the sport of it can enjoy the game, too.

Tim A. Bryant

Independence

Sense of History

The very same circumstances which set up World War II are now on the world scene. History is repeating itself more than ever.

It seems we're once again in the 1930s. Strange how nostalgia has put us back there, but so has the real situation in the world. The world is in another Depression. Inflation and unemployment are as bad as ever before. They say another Dust Bowl is on the way. Drought and famine are worldwide. The weather may be more severe than ever before. This winter has been the worst to hit the United States since 1933.

Nations talk about peace, but keep building up their militaries. Even President Carter is being compared to a great extent to Franklin Roosevelt.

All of the foregoing means World War III is not very far off. This would mean this is the last time history will have a chance to repeat itself.

Tom Carroll

Excelsior Springs

Don't They Care

While driving down I-35 in Johnson County, I was appalled by the trash on the side of the road. I lived and grew up in Overland Park and at one time was proud of the fact. I now live in Liberty, and thank God for that.

People from Johnson County are so quick to tell you of their per capita income being one of the highest in the country, but they could go down as one of the trashiest places I've ever seen.

The litter in this country is a shameful matter at best, but the complete disregard for the environment by the so-called elite of our area is a disgrace. No wonder Johnson County has such a high incidence of drugs and vandalism in youth. The example set by their parents shows what they think of others around them and of this beautiful country.

David Herring

Liberty



Pornography . . . still an individual choice

In his Feb. 28 contribution to Speaking the Public Mind, a letter writer justifies the suppression of pornography on the grounds that it is "a serious threat to the moral fabric of our society." In doing so, he uses several fallacious arguments which, however popular they may be, should be exposed as such.

The writer begins by asserting that "freedom of the press, speech, etc., are freedoms, not license." First of all, what is the basis of freedom of the press and freedom of speech? Why are these valid rights? Clearly, because they represent noncoercive actions. In a free society, any act which does not include physical coercion, fraud or the threat of such action is permissible. Now what is "license" in the sense which the writer uses the term? Nothing more or less than the application of the above-mentioned rights to persons or publications of which he strongly disapproves. Thus he (or a federal or local judge) will nullify freedom of the press in certain cases by deciding for the yokels when it becomes "license."

The gentleman then presents his second argument: "One's individual freedom has to be limited when his or her actions will infringe upon, degrade or otherwise harm other elements of our society." It would take a lawyer of high repute many hours of study, thought and prayer to decipher and consistently apply this maxim. What constitutes the degradation of our society? Is it not degrading to watch a politician spouting the cliches of his trade to awestruck buffoons who hang upon every morsel of his rhetoric, without once cracking a smile? Yet few would suggest that politicians be banned from the airwaves. "Harm," as used in this instance, is likewise an incredibly vague term and can mean anything to anybody. These are indeed weak arguments.

A bad analogy is then tossed our way: "There are laws concerning pollution of our air and water; why not laws concerning the pollution of our society. . ." Water and air pollution are legitimate targets because they involve clear violations of rights. The air polluter, for example, may be shortening our lives with his intrusions into our lungs. There can be no "right" to pollute. On the other hand, all the pornographic "polluter" does is disgust us. Surely there is a vast difference.

Finally, the letter writer makes the point that no society improves by "lowering its moral standards." I wholeheartedly agree. However, let us not plunge into the age-old fallacy of confusing "government" and "society." A society is merely the sum total of the individual inhabitants of a given area. Government is the agency of legitimized coercion. For a society to be considered "moral," its individual members must simply act morally. When a governmental agent attempts to enforce morality at the point of a gun, the very possibility of moral behavior is negated. For moral behavior involves uncoerced choices between various options; some good, some bad. It cannot be enforced.

To sum up my argument: Granted, the person who habitually spends part of his hard-earned income on publications such as "Hustler" can properly be put down as a moron. However, this moronia is strictly his business. Likewise, we may eye Larry Flynt suspiciously, and agree that he is not the sort of person we would gladly invite to dinner. But if Mr. Flynt cares to exercise his right to publish whatever he wishes, he is not forcibly dragging any one of us into the gutter with him. Today the gutter is being increasingly occupied by those who would, on specious grounds, infringe upon the natural rights to free speech and press. Their arguments, plausible as they may seem, must be taken up and refuted if the precious rights are to be preserved.

Alan L. Kent

Kansas City, Kansas



Wreckage leaps guardrail

At That Moment

Death Was Victor At Sporting Event

By the Associated Press

"In the long run," race driver Eddie Sachs once said, "death is the odds-on favorite."

Sachs was speaking of the Indianapolis 500, America's traditional Memorial Day car race, and clearly he was right. By 1964, the year of the 48th running of the race, the track had claimed 54 lives. Drivers come and go, car styles change, engines get bigger and faster, but at Indy the only constant is danger.

The field for the 1964 race is the biggest ever—33 cars. Sachs, driving in his eighth straight 500, lines up in the fifth row directly behind Dave MacDonald, driving at Indy for the first time. The green starting flag drops and the mass of slowly orbiting cars spurts forward with an ear-splitting roar.

Just as the leaders head into their third 2½-mile lap, Dave MacDonald, back in the pack at a point where the homestretch begins, loses control. His blue car spins, smacks the inside wall at 150 miles an hour and bounces into the middle of the track. The buzzing of the 260,000 fans turns suddenly into screams and the exploding fuel tank belches a fiery tower of black smoke.

Blinded by the smoke and flames six other drivers, unable to stop, boom into MacDonald's car; Sachs hits it broadside. Flaming wreckage leaps the guard fence. Sachs, trapped in his cockpit, is dead when rescuers reach him. Two hours later, at about the time the wreckage is cleared and the race resumes, as it always does, MacDonald dies in a hospital. The odds-on favorite wins again: Indy has claimed its 55th and 56th victims.

'Rule of the Road' Basic to Legal Order

By Lon L. Fuller
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MORAL CHOICES
COURSES BY NEWSPAPER
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Law and morality, to varying degrees, regulate human interaction in society, sometimes reinforcing one another, at other times imposing contradictory obligations.

But there are also many laws that have little to do with the larger issues of moral conduct—with securing justice, equality or such other forms of "good" as may be deemed desirable. These laws are, rather, pragmatic regulations for facilitating or making possible orderly relations between people.

Still other decisions affecting the conduct of society are not guided even by these pragmatic regulations. Such decisions cannot be reached through the application of impersonal, objective rules; indeed, the basis for them cannot be found in either law or morality, yet they are binding on the individuals concerned.

To understand these issues I suggest we examine some of the actual operations of a legal order and the ways in which legal rules and processes are employed to shape and control human behavior.

I should like to begin with a body of law regulating vehicular traffic and known as "the rule of the road." Over most of the world the rule is that you pass the oncoming vehicle on the right and overtake on the left the vehicle moving ahead of you. A minority of countries, including Great Britain, have an opposite rule—you pass on the left and overtake on the right.

Though the rule is now practically everywhere embodied in written statutes, it took its origin in unwritten customary practice, which helps to explain how there came to be two rules, each serving the same function within its own territory.

"The rule of the road" would seem to present little in the way of tensions between law and morality. The man with consideration for others and an ardent desire not to do harm to them will, as a driver, follow the rule of the road. If he is morally indifferent to the fate of others, he will nevertheless be likely to observe the rule of the road, not only to avoid being brought into court but to save his own skin.

There are problems, however. Even in ordinary traffic rules of the road depend upon a sense of responsibility toward the other fellow and some perception of the problems he faces.

The law of traffic is thus not merely punitive; it is essentially facilitative. It lets the driver know, with some assurance, what he can expect, not only from the traffic officer but from other drivers as well.

This matter of knowing what to expect is basic in any functioning legal order. In his book, "The Law of Primitive Man," Adamson Hoebel writes that a visitor to the Musk Ox Eskimos in Canada learned that all 15 adult males in the community in the early 1920s had been either a principal or an accessory in a murder.

Hoebel reports: For each of them "the motive was invariably some quarrel about a woman."

In part the Eskimo difficulties are enhanced by the lack of marriage and divorce rituals which might demarcate the beginning and the end of a marital relationship. Marriage is entered into merely by bedding down with the intention of living together; divorce is effected simply by not living together any more.

There may be a certain irony in comparing a marriage ceremony with a highway stop sign, but the analogy is not lacking in a certain validity.

Let us consider briefly the law of divorce. In former times that law was to a large extent "objective" and "impersonal." To obtain a divorce a party to the marriage had to prove some specified act or omission on the part of his or her partner. Among the acts that would justify the granting of a divorce were adultery, desertion, habitual drunkenness and other similar forms of misbehavior. This meant that the law of divorce was, like the rule of the road, impersonal and "act-oriented."

Recently there has been a development in many jurisdictions that is called "the theory of the breakdown of the marriage." Instead of having to prove some specifically defined misconduct by the party against whom the divorce suit is brought, what has to be established is that the parties have lost the capacity for a functioning marital relationship.

Perhaps the best test of a loss of this capacity is to have a skilled mediator attempt a reconciliation of the parties. But the judge who has the ultimate power to decide the case may or may not have any special aptitude for guiding a mediative procedure toward an ultimate reconciliation.

If, after discussing with the husband and wife their conceptions of the problems that have caused their marriage to fail, the judge grants a divorce, this does not mean that the standards that have guided him to that conclusion can properly be categorized as either "moral" or "legal." Neither party may have acted immorally or illegally, but their divergent dispositions may have made a successful marriage impossible.

In our complex and densely populated societies there are many decisions that cut deeply into men's lives but that cannot be shaped or justified by standards derived directly from morality or law. An example would be zoning regulations. These regulations may limit the size of a house, determine how closely the house can be located to the street it faces, stipulate how high a radio antenna on the roof can be, etc.

Regulations of this sort can often be relaxed on a showing of a special need to make an exception in the case at hand. The request for a relaxation of a particular restriction will be brought before an administrative agency, which in deciding whether to grant the relaxation will proceed in a manner much like that of a court of law.

But what may be lacking is the guidance of formal rules stating with some precision under what conditions the normal restraints may be lifted. On what basis, then, is an exception to the regulatory law to be granted?

The householder may have an expensive radio and may ask to be given the privilege of extending his antenna to a height above that normally allowed. He may rest his request on any number of claims tending to establish that his situation is a special one: He is working on an invention affecting radio transmission that requires a higher antenna; he is a physician who wants to give advice to patients who have radio sets but no telephones, since they live in a somewhat distant mountain range.

Let me conclude with another hypothetical case that may not be readily decided either by rules of law or familiar principles of morality. Two men, strangers to one another, are charged with committing identical crimes. Both admit their guilt.

It happens that the only available prison is so packed with convicts that there is only a single cell with room for one more. The judge cannot send both men to prison; which one shall he sentence?

It would hardly be befitting for the judge to suggest that the convicted men throw dice to see which one of the two goes in and who stays out.

Suppose that one of the convicted parties has over the years been convicted of 10 different crimes and served a term of imprisonment for each. The result is that jail has become for him almost like a home and he has no special dread of serving another term. The other man has never before been convicted of a crime and serving a term in jail might or might not put an end to his incipient criminal tendencies.

The judge cannot send both men to jail; which one shall he sentence?

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Next Sunday in Forum: Ernest van den Haag, New York psychiatrist and a member of the faculty of New York University and the New School for Social Research, discusses "The Effectiveness of Punishment" as a deterrent to crime.



'20s speakeasy . . . can we legislate morality?

Community Leaders Focus on Quality Education

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box"—a world of federal grants and goodies, violence and unreality.

While a slow realization began in the late 1960s that "alternatives to the gilded ghetto" must be found—the black political leadership was late in responding primarily because after the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a widespread belief was found that black political and economic power and identity required that blacks remain in the ghetto—even though this confined them to the worst housing, employment opportunities (with skilled jobs and manufacturing in suburbs) and education. Some were misled by skillful politicians who discussed "creative localism" while others in the still white city administrations preached "home rule."

The eminent urbanist, Dr. Paul Ylvisaker, while director of the New Jersey Department of Urban Affairs, described "home rule" as "letting the blacks stew in their own juice"—giving them political power over empty shells, vandalized housing with huge social problems and few financial resources to pay for them.

By 1970 the federal courts took the lead in shifting the use of federal funds away from impacted areas toward metropolitan fair-share solutions. The Department of Housing and Urban Development was prohibited from building or financing housing for low- or moderate-income families in already impacted areas, and directed toward implementing a fair share of housing throughout the metropolitan area, culminating in the 1976 U.S. Supreme Court case of Gautreaux vs. Hills.

Similar requirements have been instituted in the Community Development Act of 1974, the federal clean air and water control acts and in an ever growing number of state supreme courts and legislatures requiring a "dispersal" or "deconcentration" of low-income and minority families. The only field in which progress has been slow to evolve is the field of education.

For some unfathomable reason the federal bureaucracy in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare believes that proper enforcement of the antidiscrimination clauses of the 1964 Civil Rights Act requires that desegregation be accomplished *only* in school districts already overwhelmingly minority, which will inevitably lead to white flight, white utilization of private schools and black middle-class flight from the school district.

As the Hobson vs. Hansen experience in Washington shows, such futile desegregation only leads to total resegregation and further racial isolation. How many Garys, Clevelands, Newarks, Oaklands do we need in this country to recognize the obvious? Every responsible black and white leader in those metropolitan areas knows that every city and suburb suffers disastrously from such a phenomenon. Industry will not come to such metropolitan areas and industry already there flees. All services both in city and suburb decline and crime rates escalate.

The United States Chamber of Commerce places third on its list of factors inducing industry to relocate the requirement that suburbs have low- or moderate-income housing for workers and that the area is peaceably moving to solve racial problems. If it is not morally persuasive to get suburban areas to recognize their responsibilities, surely they will recognize the self-interest involved—or have we really become a nation of 200 million individual egos each escaping from total responsibility?

What are the facts? The Kansas City school district is 66 per cent minority within a metropolitan area which is only 11 per cent minority. Yet within that school district lies the entire economic and cultural viability of this region (Downtown, Crown Center, the Plaza, Westport, the university, the two art institutions, the major research and insurance institutes, the cultural facilities and libraries). No wonder the Bi-State Commission on Civil Rights calls for a metropolitan solution—and the business leadership of the community through the Civil Council and Chamber of Commerce agree.

At a time when Johnson County and Independence schools are being closed for underutilization can we not see that the very financial and economic reality of this region is threatened? If each community, without consolidation of districts, took its percentage of minority students, would three black children in a class of 30 not be a fair-share responsibility? If each district had 11 per cent minority, would not there be a renaissance of development in our close-in areas promising for the first time real racial, social and economic integration? Kansas City's future (including its region) would be unlimited. Can suburbs continue to have the central city pay for stadiums, arenas, museums, zoos and services to maintain cultural facilities and yet turn its back on social and economic responsibility?

What is the law? Contrary to recent newspaper reports and Star articles, metropolitan integration is a growing phenomenon in the field of education. It is predictable that within 5 to 10 years there will never be a decree in a Northern city again that will not be interdistrict. The Supreme Court in the recent Washington vs. Davis and Arlington Heights cases required that intention or motivation to discriminate must be shown.

As revealed in the myriad number of metropolitan decrees being awarded Louisville, Wilmington, St. Louis (Kinloch), this is not difficult to demonstrate. The court has said that the past practices and history of the institutional behavior in the area is evidence of intent and that intent need only be one factor and not even the predominant one in this area. It is clear that on remand the Indianapolis decision will find motivation since that was already found in the district court's opinion in the case.

In Kansas City the evidence is overwhelming:

- Both states either mandated (Missouri) or permitted (Kansas) segregation of schools prior to 1954.
- The federal courts have already found that the state of Missouri is guilty of illegally maintaining a segregated system and that school districts are only agents of the state and are bound by practices of the state.
- Black children were, prior to 1954, transferred from Kansas and suburban Missouri to the Kansas City school district for purposes of segregation and both Kansas and Missouri have statutes permitting interstate tuition transfers.
- Racial restrictive covenants limiting blacks to the confines of the school district were enforced by both states (key to the Wilmington case).
- Kansas school districts have over the years both transferred students to Missouri and received Missouri students (to argue now that the state line is sacrosanct will bear little weight).
- The federal courts have found federal discrimination in housing metropolitan-wide in the Kansas City area.

At least 17 other factors could be mentioned. The important consideration is the need for voluntary co-operation on the part of everyone. We already share emergency service, transit, highways, water and sewerage, airports. Can we not, as the commission recommended, meet on social and economic problems? Must we await the inevitable litigation and bitterness?

No Comment

As President of the Kansas City Board of Education, I feel it would be inappropriate at this time to express personal views and concerns that more rightfully should be discussed among all Board members in the presence of Board counsel.

Since the question of interpretation is largely a legal one, I see no benefit in discussing in a public forum issues that more rightfully belong before our lawyers and a court of law.

James H. Lyddon
President, Kansas City
Board of Education

Let us not end as the saying in Pogo goes: "We have met the enemy and he is us." For once let us do the right thing.

Superintendent 'Top Resource'

By Gayle Holliday
Chairperson, Citizens for Educational Equality

The question of what to do about public school desegregation has plagued this community for more years than one cares to remember.

The unfortunate part of this story is that each time we began to approach a possible solution, the cycle reverted to base zero. So, for some, the courts hold the only resolution, even though those who have this view are leery of the court's approach (mainly because of the wide and varied solutions provided by the courts). It is difficult, at best, to benefit from the experiences of other communities that have been through the courts, since the decisions range from little student movement to total reorganization of school districts.

So there are no profound words of wisdom which will motivate parties involved in the question of school desegregation to move toward a positive solution.

Many segments of this community have verbalized their opinions. Some lay persons and experts have researched the questions throughout the country, while others have remained silent in the hope that a decision would be reached even if that decision were, ultimately, not to decide.

This is not intended to be a critical review of the 6C plan, nor will a solution be offered. The Kansas City school board members, who have the legal responsibility to make a decision, have already heard the rhetoric from all sides. Therefore, the points and counterpoints regarding the merits of 6C become irrevelant and the question remains once again unresolved. The time has arrived, however, when a decision must be made. If the board majority is now convinced that 6C is the acceptable solution, then the direction they must take is obvious: End the debate and call for the question.

The statement has been made that 6C may be the most that the attitudes, morals and good conscience of the people in this district can tolerate. However, some feel that it goes too far, while others find that it falls far short of being a fair and equitable approach to the problem.

Nevertheless, the choices for the board are clear: (1) Take a vote to adopt 6C, and the Department of



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Health, Education and Welfare, Office of Civil Rights, will review and return with its findings. (2) Be prepared to make modifications and adjustments as recommended by the Office of Civil Rights. (3) Wait for additional court action—for it will ultimately come if there is no board action.

There are no ideal models or "how-to" manuals that will yield an instant solution. There is, however, an extremely valuable resource available to assist in this decision—the new superintendent. Robert Wheeler, with his broad array of experiences in education and government, must be our top resource. The board must allow his leadership capabilities to be realized.

Finally, the individuals (black or white) who prefer to label school desegregation socially, politically or economically counterproductive may find that opinion to be valuable only in social conversations. For public education may be the last institution to go, but it will most assuredly be brought into compliance. We need to pull from every creative community resource to make the smooth transition to a quality integrated educational environment for the children.

Board Courting Disaster

By Isaac Gardner, Jr.
Chairman, Community Task Force on School Desegregation

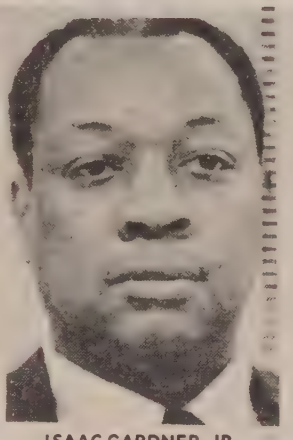
Desegregation is at best a very complicated and sensitive issue. Once I was of the opinion that there was enough good will among the citizenry of the community to grapple with the desegregation issue. However, after having been confronted with rank, rancid racism, even in the so-called liberal segments of the community, there is an ominous cloud of skepticism in my thinking that causes me to doubt the capacity of my native community.

To be sure, the Board of Education has done its homework. It has created a Community Desegregation Task Force, thus providing an opportunity for anyone or any group to have input on the issue of desegregation. Hearings were held in most of the high school attendance areas for additional input. The Board of Education has been advised by the task force, educational experts, legal experts and lay persons in the community and yet a plan is not imminent.

What remains to be done is crystal clear. The Board of Education simply has to make a decision. Any decision that the board makes will be unpopular to some people. In our system one of the functions of the board is to make policy. In terms of desegregation it has surely failed the final exam. Its reluctance to take the bull by the horns has cost the district immeasurably. The board's inaction has cost the district an Emergency School Aid Act program valued at $1.6 million. Its inaction is putting $14 million of federal funds in jeopardy.

If the board does not come up with a rational decision, the outcome is also clear. A federal judge will come in and make a decision. I for one prefer to see our district under local control rather than under federal control. Under federal control we also become ineligible for federal funds because we are being made to comply rather than complying voluntarily.

Currently the board is hell-bent on



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courting catastrophe. It intends to desegregate by using the "magnet" concept. Firstly, the school district is allegedly in a financial bind, and magnet schools are extremely expensive. Secondly, the evidence on magnet schools across the country is consistent. Magnet schools accomplish very little in the way of meaningful desegregation.

The Board of Education needs but one primary guideline and that is the fair-play ethic. Currently the plan calls for 1-way bussing at the high school level; i.e., blacks get on the bus and go to high schools that are predominately Caucasian, but no Caucasians get on a bus and come to a high school that is predominately black. This was one of the reasons that the infamous Plan E was rejected.

The board has the facts, the figures and community input. With these before them, an intelligent, sincere, moral Board of Education, sensitive to the needs of children, should not be overwhelmed by desegregation. Maybe this is why it is experiencing such "unfathomable" difficulty.

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the students have a stake in their particular areas because they live there.

The elimination of the feeling of being different by virtue of being a "bussed-in" student is an integral part of 6C. Under 6C, all students start on an equal footing in their own neighborhoods.

School pride and parental participation are more easily achieved when continuous relationships between parents and between students exist from kindergarten through grade 12.

Six of the 10 high school attendance areas were integrated in this way. Additionally 6C would reduce the overcrowding which has plagued the remaining four high schools—Lincoln, Central, Paseo and Southeast—for several years.

The formal adoption and implementation of the modified 6C would show Kansas City's commitment to ending racial isolation and to complying with the law.

The Board of Education, with maximum community support, should move rapidly in adopting 6C. We parents will make it work . . . for our children's sake.

☆ More 'Poverty Schools' Likely

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district's problems, and white and black middle-status parents will be equally encouraged to withdraw their children from the district's schools.

This would be most unfortunate. The U.S. Supreme Court requires that segregation be eliminated "root and branch" to the extent that a workable desegregation plan can be devised and implemented. It does not clearly dictate, however, that the school district should compound its problems by creating still more poverty schools.

Rather than promising to advance such efforts, 6C as currently drawn up probably would contribute to further deterioration of the city by its lack of realistic concern for the problems of poverty in the public schools.

MEMORANDUM OF CALL

TO:

☐ YOU WERE CALLED BY— ☐ YOU WERE VISITED BY—

OF (Organization)

☐ PLEASE CALL → PHONE NO. CODE/EXT.

☐ WILL CALL AGAIN ☐ IS WAITING TO SEE YOU

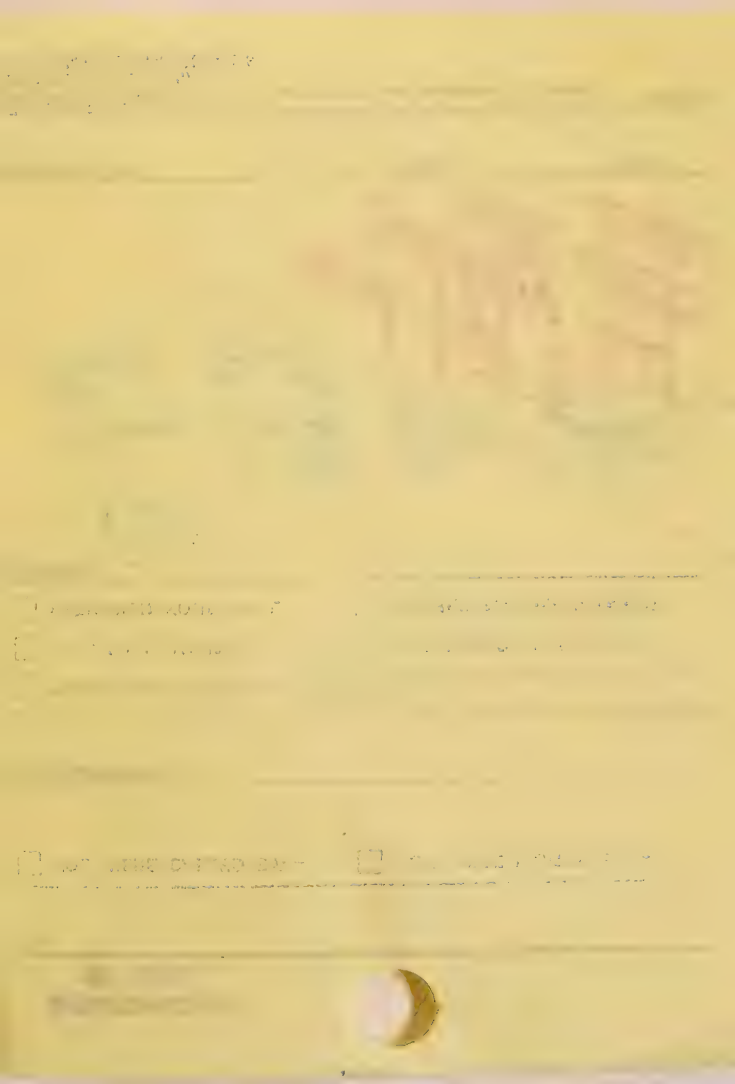
☐ RETURNED YOUR CALL ☐ WISHES AN APPOINTMENT

MESSAGE

Pat
May help her State
Fair Act
send bill to Dist
coloring with cover
letter

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We Report

~~Sandy Brown~~ Pat Miner
March 18, 1977

1. Accountability Bill
Letter has been delivered to th e Post. Am doing what I can to grease the wheels to get Risher's opinion as soon as possible.

Good job!

2. State Fair
I talked to Dr. Ritterbush this week again. He asked for additional copies of the bill and background statement to discuss with someone currently at the Smithsonian. He said he will get back to me next week in terms of setting up a meeting with himself, his contact person and myself.

Good asap. at least lets collect what information we can on how to do the best job. Have you sent bill to WCHS address last attached - for comment?

3. Youth Employment Bill
Interestingly enough, the cancellation of the hearing did us a few favors. David, doing his usual good PR job, got the cancellation/postponement notice on several radio stations, etc. Several people called that had not heard about it otherwise... including someone who is interested in the Labor Department. We sent out many copies of the bill today and should be getting more criticism/support/etc. for the next hearing . Should we definitely set it up for April 20th. I have to check, but we probably have to advertise it again in the D.C. Register. *See Executive Comments in folder.*

Good. You, Dave and I need to have a meeting to discuss strategy. Set for April 20 if possible. We can discuss with Julius.

4. Adoption Bill
nothing new to report

5. Reprogramming Request
Committee approved the reprogramming request for the acquisition of the Shapiro Tract. Should be fairly easy when it comes up on the agenda of the Committee of the Whole. Dave Clarke pretty well will carry the ball, since it is in his ward and I have all of the background information for questioning during the committee session. No decision has been made by the Secretary's office as to whether it will be on the agenda this Monday or next monday - no problems.

Go ahead! You will need to prepare response to 3/8 memo from Judy Bogert. Take essential points & prepare written response for Council members. Evaluate carefully if doesn't have time.

OK

6. New legislation Three new bills have been referred to the Committee = see folder on bill's in committee. They were introduced by the Chairman, at the request of the Board of Ed.

Hold to evaluate

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PLANNING COMMITTEE FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF A
METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON CULTURAL ALLIANCE

This is a brief progress note from the Planning Committee for the Organization of a Metropolitan Washington Cultural Alliance. Our background efforts to facilitate the organization of an Alliance have been proceeding along the lines outlined in the press release we sent you in November. The three subcommittees are at work formulating recommendations in their respective areas of responsibility -- Membership and Organization under the chairmanship of Ed Able, Program and Staff under the chairmanship of Tony Taylor, and Funding and Resources under the chairmanship of Jim Gibson.

Our main work target now is a community forum to be held early in May to review our recommendations and to give us guidance about the further work that will be needed to bring an effective cultural alliance into existence. We will send you an invitation to the forum as soon as a date and place have been set.

Meanwhile, if you have questions or suggestions, please call any member of the Planning Committee or the Washington Center for Metropolitan Studies, which is serving as staff to this project. A list of the names and phone numbers of the members of the Committee is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

Delano E. Lewis
Chairman

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STATEHOOD: The press release in the Statehood folder was distributed earlier in the week. It got excellent play in the media. With Lou on the staff shortly, we will be able to get more of the statehood research out of the way; incidently the Statehood Party is much better organized now and they are becoming an asset regarding public education and awareness on this issue.

SMOKING: The only development is a negative one; according to J. Moore's committee staff, J. Moore has no plans to consider the bill in the near future. This is intentional since Moore does not like the bill. Public pressure in an organized fashion may change his mind. — Use telegrams to Tucker/press etc.

CONCONNI INTERVIEW: the information he occasionally asks for continues to be supplied.

Everything OK.

We still don't have the hard facts we need! Why is going to prepare & future? See past weekly reports. We can't educate the public if we don't know exactly:

1.) What is the source of income if we are a state vs if we remain a quasi-public entity under the Home Rule Charter? Where will the money come from? How much? From what sources? Show me a sample budget. What can we expect in terms of a Federal payment.

2.) What are the "freedoms" and "rights" we would enjoy as a STATE which we don't currently enjoy now.

DAVID F. SMITH
MARCH 4,1977
WEEKLY REPORT

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT- Am complying with instructions given on last report. The major organizations I have contacted so far have not yet formed an opinion. Even the Board of Trade is not sure at this time; as a matter of fact, one of their people told me that they may not testify at all.

— we need to have Bd. of Trade testify re how many jobs this may mean to youth (in the private sector). Don't take "no" for an answer - lets approach another way. Lots of work needs to be done before hearing. (See my notes to Pat)

SMOKING- In the smoking folder is one of the results of the suggestion I am giving "concerned citizens" who call me on the phone; namely, that they should contact J. Moore and ask him what action he is taking on the bill.

— OK

UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT of Columbia- The meeting originally scheduled in accordance with last week's report will take place next week vice this past week.

— In case Julius can't be there get Spalding

~~WASHINGTONIA~~ ARTICLE- Mr. Conconni plans to meet with Julius Monday morning just to introduce himself and to discuss the dimensions of the article he is commencing immediately. I am more than willing to give him the support you suggest in last week's report.

— Better tell him to work rapidly — can come to our apt. Sat. or Sun. Julius might not want to give interviews in hospital.

STATEHOOD As a result of a presentation made this week to the executive committee of the ACLU, the committee plans to announce a position in favor of Statehood. The District's own Dep't. of Finance and Revenue supplied most of the statistics used in the resolution demanding a doubling of the federal payment. I plan an excursion to that office this week, as well as contacting Dave Bobrow.

} Good. Maybe ACLU Committee can help us draft the reports we need

ANNUAL EDUCATION FORUM- I represented Julius and the Council as a panelist at the Board of Education in a day long conference this past Wednesday. Vince Redd and members of the Board were also in attendance. The perspective that I offered was that of the propriety of the Council being involved in matters of educational accountability and achievement. Needless to say I was not a popular speaker among Board members however the citizens certainly expressed appreciation at all Julius is doing to get important information into the hands of the public so that they can participate in a more meaningful way to improve education.

— Good

Pat Miner
March 4, 1977

Weekly Report

1. Accountability Bill
Nothing new to report. See draft letter to Risher asking his opinion on the matter of legislation.

— Good letter, send asap! This is the key.

2. State Fair
I called Dr. Ritterbush's office late this week and left a message for hi m to return call. Unfortunately, I was out early this week - I had a death in the family - and didn't reach him earlier. However, he had indicated that he would be out of town until this week anyhow and was interested in helping - I will follow up with phone call on Monday . If I run into a snafu then, I will call you for help.

— OK

3. Youth Employment Bill
A number of people have called for information - we have sent out hearing notices to all who call. Jo Butler has set up a meeting with Julius and I with the Labor Council for next week. We will be in touch with you about publicity next week early.

→ Youth Bill - Lets give some hard thought on whether or not we want to postpone the hearing. We want someone(s) to testify on how many jobs might be created via this means — even if the testimony is theoretical. Can we be sure? Also have we (1) canvassed the colleges to see if any studies are being done (2) Contacted Brookings and asked if they would testify on their report (3) carefully read reports (Brookings, DoL, Newsweek etc) to draft talking points for Julius and to identify potential supporters (4) contacted youth groups, associations, gov. offices (HEW?) to see if others are thinking along these lines and (b) checked with League of Cities to see if any other jurisdictions have done anything along these lines? I would rather postpone the hearings 2-3 weeks rather than lose because we didn't do our homework.

4. Adoption Bill
Didnt' have time to finish draft;will send home during the week.

OK

5. Reprogramming Request
See folder on the Shapiro tract reprogramming... will be ready for report out at our next committee meeting on March 15th.

OK

6. Response from Vince Reed
See letter from Vin ce Reed about the tickets. Now what? I had the impression that he knew who some of the students were from what both he and his secretary had said at some time or another. However, I saw him this week at a funeral and he indicated that he had given the tickets to principals and they had distributed them to good students.

ow

7. Equalization

I had a meeting this week with Betty Holton from tne public schools who is working on a counterproposal from the schools for relief from the 1971 decree. They are hoping to go back to court in the fall/summer and ask that the 1971 requirements be amended; they felt that they should talk with Julius so that he would understand their current thoughts and wanted to brief me prior to a meeting with him that is scheduled for next week.

Their plan is to comply with the 1967 decree as it is - which is racial assignments, etc. but that the Title I comparability requirements should suffice for purposes of assuring equal access for educational resources for students. The Comparability requirements which were developed by HEW and used throughout the country are not based on thefull salary of teachers, but rather on the base pay of teachers and includes other staffing beyond teachers - e.g. counselors, etc. In addition, they plan to deploy subject area teachers t o schools based on population of students-rather than salaries based on population ---- for example, there are enough P.E. and Health teachers for each 600 students in an elementary school; ergo, if a school is very small they would receive one day services with a sliding scale up to 1 assitned to a school with 600 students and 2 assigned to a school with 1200 students. They will have materials next week when they come which can be reviewed. Sounds like they are making some progress however.

when?

Check and see what the public education system in Calif. does when you have time. Do they rely on HEW comparability requirements?

Reed's letter ruined my weekend! How demeaning & unresponsive! Please type attached letter (I have read to Julius), proof carefully, have Sandy sign for Julius and deliver to Reed. Almost sent as mailgram!

> How can they design counterproposal without our unit budgeting information? I doubt if Julius will have time/interest in meeting with her. Maybe, but don't count on it. You could call Peter Rousselot (sp?) the attorney on the case and ask him if he would have the time to meet with Betty? Make sure representative from D.C. Citizens is present also.

Pat Miner
February 25, 1977

Weekly Report

Pat - Did you ever draft an answer to Nancy Harrison's letter to Julius? Pls. discuss with Lorraine, locate & draft good, thoughtful & supportive answer.

1. Accountability Bill

Hearings over and done with. See folder for copy of Board's letter and Ed Webb's memorandum on the same issue. Bills should be somewhat changed for approval. For example, the review mechanism of the Board's accountability plan is questionable, according to Ed. Furthermore, he suggests that the language be changed to reflect that the bill(s) are clarifying to the D.C. Code, Title 31, Duties of the Board section. We can probably report out a marked up version in about three weeks - four weeks -- as long as it will take to do the amendments, report draft, etc. for committee review.

from what Julius said - the Bd. of Education was less than helpful. Remember what we said last week - jurisdiction problems are between the Council and the Executive Branch (not the Bd. of Ed's attorney). So you want to send a copy of Ed Webb's decision to Rishen from Julius and ask if he (Rishen) concurs - and if not why not. Give him a deadline (3 weeks) Draft memo & have ready next Sunday. I hope you will plan to come up with one composite bill as a result of the hearings - can D.C. citizens help.

2. Unit Budgeting

Talked to a person in the Office of Budget and Management who indicated that they are preparing a response to the letter for the mayor, including a progress report on the progress to date, etc. as we requested.

check with Sandy - does this conflict with something?

3. State Fair → Try on Monday to set up luncheon

Nothing new to report.

→ Keep pushing again. If this does not work, call me Wednesday. We need to begin to generate support.

4. Youth Employemnt Bill

Hearing notice has gone out to public. We will be sending to our mailing list also. Scheduled for March 18th. Am trying to track down Feb. 21st issue of U.S. News and World Report-anyideas?

→ Try to locate people who will support bill and set up meeting with Julius next week. How about Friendship House? Ask Jo Butler. We need these people next week + to testify, Keep list of people who call you. Do we need advance publicity. Get Dave to work on — call me.

5. Adoption Bill

Meeting with lawyer next week for persons that have been turned down by Judge Halleck re: getting their records opened. Bruce French of Arrington Dixon's staff referred to me - he is interested in cosponsoring a bill. New version of background statement and bill next week... including the suggestions you made re: problems of privacy for birth-mothers.

Good!

Reprogramming Request

The attached memorandums were received this week calling for reprogramming of funds to purchase the Sahpiro tract which is a vacant plot of land in Ward I which the community has been using as a playground. The developer is willing to sell to the city and it has been a big issue for several years. Will do research on the issue and prepare for committee action.

OK. Don't have as priority unless necessary.

Council of the District of Columbia
Memorandum

District Building, 14th and E Streets, N.W. 20004 Fifth Floor 724-8000

To Mr. Julius W. Hobson, Chairman
Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs

From Sterling Tucker ST/rau
Chairman

Date February 25, 1977

Subject Reprogramming Request Amendment - Acquisition of Shapiro Tract from $927,875 to $1,041,489

The attached is an amendment to the reprogramming request of February 10, 1977 in the amount of $927,875 for the acquisition of the Shapiro Tract located at Adams Mill Road and Ontario Place, N.W. The new amount of this reprogramming is $1,041,489.

Your timely action on this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Attachment

cc: Committee of the Whole
Edward B. Webb, Jr.
Rodney Coleman
Robert Williams
Patricia Spirer

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FEB 25 1977
Julius Hobson, Sr.
Councilmember-At-Large

J-66979

WALTER E. WASHINGTON
MAYOR

THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20004

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CHAIRMAN
CITY COUNCIL

FEB. 25 1977

Honorable Sterling Tucker, Chairman
Council for the District of Columbia
District Building
Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This letter is to bring to your attention new information regarding the City's proposal to acquire the Shapiro Tract located at Adams Mill Road and Ontario Place, N.W., and to amend the reprogramming request now before the City Council.

My letter to you dated February 10, 1977 requests the reprogramming of $927,875 to allow for the acquisition of the subject property. New information from the Department of General Services indicates that a contract was recently entered into to sell the property to the Holladay Corporation for development of approximately 100 townhouses with selling prices to range from $65,000 to $100,000. Based on this market activity, the Department of General Services now estimates that the cost of acquisition should be increased from $1,944,000 to $2,057,614.

This increase in the cost estimate from $1,944,000 to $2,057,614 will require the reprogramming of an additional $113,614. I am proposing that surplus funds from Project No. 11-17, Shaw Branch Library (c) be reprogrammed to cover this increased funding requirement. This reprogramming amendment will result in a revised request from $927,875 to $1,041,489.

Your approval of this additional request will allow the City to proceed as currently planned.

Sincerely,

Walter E. Washington
Mayor

cc: Robert Williams

Council of the District of Columbia
Memorandum

District Building, 14th and E Streets, N.W. 20004 Fifth Floor 724-8000

To Mr. Julius W. Hobson, Chairman
Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs

From Sterling Tucker, Chairman of the Council

Date February 11, 1977

Subject Reprogramming Request (2-3) - Acquisition of Shapiro Tract in amount of $927,875

The attached reprogramming request in the amount of $927,875 for the acquisition of the Shapiro Tract located at Adams Mill Road and Ontario Place, N.W., is referred to your Committee for consideration and recommendation.

Your timely action on this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Attachment

cc: Committee of the Whole
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FEB 14 1977

Julius Hobson, Sr.
Councilmember-At-Large

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FEB 10 1977
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Honorable Sterling Tucker
Chairman
Council for the District of Columbia
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Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This is a reprogramming request in the amount of $927,875 which will allow the District Government to proceed with the acquisition of the Shapiro Tract located at Adams Mill Road and Ontario Place, N.W.

The Department of General Services, after completion of two independent appraisals of the site, indicates that the fair market value of the property is $1,676,400. With fees and other expenses, their estimate for acquiring the Shapiro Tract is $1,944,000.

Funds in the amount of $500,000 were appropriated in the fiscal 1976 capital budget approved June 30, 1976. A Bureau of Outdoor Recreation grant commitment of $516,125 is also available for a total of $1,016,125 in funding for the project.

To fund this reprogramming request, I am proposing that surplus funds be transferred from the following projects:

Project No.	Title	Amount
11-17	Shaw Branch Library	$ 127,249.30 (s)
12-21	Bald Eagle Playground	83,713.42 (c)
12-105	Benning Park Playground	191,089.38 (c)
12-169	Morgan Happy-Hollow Playground	160,069.13 (s)
24-59	Renovation to Pension Building	365,753.77 (c)
	Total	$ 927,875.00

Your approval of this request will enable the City to move forward on this project without delay and realize cost savings in acquiring this property.

Sincerely,

Walter E. Washington
Mayor

David

Weekly Report

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT- I will send a copy of the public hearing notice (in folder) to the "concerned citizens" of our last mailing. In that mailing we invited them to testify at the public hearings and that we would keep them informed regarding the hearing date.

What else can we do?

SMOKING- Citizens continue to call in their support. In addition to adding them to my list of "concerned citizens" I ask each to communicate with J.Moore regarding consideration of our bill as soon as possible.

UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA A representative from U.D.C. will brief Julius Monday morning on a teacher collective bargaing dispute with the Trustees of the U.D.C.

STATEHOOD I have not enough data to make a report regarding the financial impact of statehood however there is other encouraging news. In the statehood folder you will find a resolution introduced by Barry and Shackleton calling for doubling the federal payment. The facts and figures contained in the resolution are both useful and interesting regarding justifying an increased federal payment. A group of students from American University will probably visit me next week to consider doing research on statehood in this area. Julius does not plan to attend the Statehood Party meeting tomorrow for election of party officers however I will call over the weekend to brief Julius on what developed. I am continuing to encourage neighborhood groups to invite party people to discuss statehood before their groups. This week Lou attended a very successful forum in Southwest and Bruce Waxman also attended a forum and his presentation was equally effective.

→ Try to get as many people/organizations as possible to testify in support. Would you like to have lunch with Phil Shandler and me in advance to discuss controversial aspects of bill? Would this help? Will any major organizations take a positive position on this bill? The hearing is soon - so you need to do some calling as well as mailing.

— Interesting.

→ I don't know why they are effective, at least with knowledgable people, if they can't discuss money! I'm not! ① How will our budget now compare to that under Statehood? How do you answer? One can always fudge but that is not honest or fair to the public on these issues. Also (2) what exact "freedoms" will we have under Statehood which we don't have now - specify? Julius can't answer these questions directly and neither can I. Can you? Who did the "facts & figures" for Polly & Marion - can we build on these? Lets call Dave Bobrow from Maryland U. (ask Sandy) & request his help.

Weekly Report

A statehood letter to "concerned citizens" is in the statehood folder for signature.

JULIUS HOBSON ARTICLE Charles Conconni, a free-lance writer and contributing editor for the WASHINGTONIAN magazine, would like to propose a 10,000 word article about Juliu's life in Washington, his radical philosophy motivation and attitudes toward social problems and their solutions. (not an article about death or politics) This would be a feature article in the magazine requiring much research and would pbobably be a quality product. From my conversation with Mr. Conconni, he seems to understand Julius very well, has followed his Washington career closely and would like to spot-light someone he admires very much. He would like to discuss it with Julius personally if Julius is so inclined. I gave the writer no false inpression of approval given julius's justified impression of the magazine however if you look at such an article as being possibly a reference for people in the future who want to know just who Julius Hobson was, it might be very valuable in that context. Such an in depth article would certainly always be listed in a bibliography pertaing to Julius for the benefit of future urban/social researchers.

thanks Dave. [redacted] Good idea & We agree. Tell Mr. Conconni he will have to begin immediately and can count on our support. You act as his point of contact — he can meet with Julius at home if necessary.

Pat Miner
February 18, 1977

Weekly Report

1. Accountability Bill
See draft opening statement in folder. Julius and I discussed the issue of accountability a length several days this week and he feels that teacher accountability should be included in the bill; I indicated that I would refer to including such a provision in his opening statement. What is included is mild, although I would like it stronger. It can easily be changed. The legislative office of the mayor is getting Risher's comments for us on the legality of the Council in outlining what the Board's duties are. Ed Webb and I have gone over legislation in other states and he will have a paper which will spell out how our legislation is essentially similar to statutes and proposals in other states; and reiterating our legal authority to define the duties of the Board since we do/can/have already legislated in that area every time we amend Title 31. It looks fairly certain that the Board of Education will be telling us to back off/ pointing out their autonomy. Ed and I concur/ as well as our intern and her legal advisors at Georgetown that we clearly have the authority. If it gets down to a political hassle, it may be that in the future the committee should have hearings to clarify who is responsbile for what in the area of public education. I will also have talking points developed on each of the bills available at the hearing.

2. Unit Budgeting Letter
Committee has approved the motion to request compliance with the Mayor. See signature folder.

3. STate Fair
Dr. Ritterbush talked to me briefly this week. He will be out of town until the 28th but he said that we would get together that week (I'm to call and remind him that Mond.) I have reserved the chambers for hearing on April 20th. That is the earliest date available.

sounds like your original idea? Let's not get into hassles with this in education at this point - too complex and all tied to/delay our current bill.

Pat - talked with Julius after opening statement & this pup unfortunately - now I understand his/your concerns - have gone back to

I hate to do something rapidly Pat - which we would regret later (on the accountability — is it currently part of the other State bill? If not - don't. In the 1st place the School Board could legitimately & loudly fight — our job is to ask the Education system to establish standards for "education" "commitment to education" how they go about this is really their Business — if we plan to hold them accountable for the teachers etc.

This is such a waste of time! It will change with interpretation as Board/Council changes. Remember we deal with the Mayor/Risher on this — And let them deal with the Board.

Good letter

Just do ASAP

Are you and Dave getting any letters here.

Do Report from Dave on status of statehood research? We need useful purpose report. The issues on the report to Dept. etc. Did we ever get the Stan letter?

4. Youth Employment Bill
Public hearing has been scheduled for March 18,1977 and hearing notice filed with the secretary.
Julius and I met with Jo Butler and she is pressuring the Central Labo r Council to come up with some specific alternatives. She will report back to us next week what they are doing in other cities and in the suburban areas.
This weeks U.S. News and World Report has a big speil on unemployment, especially youth, problems. I will pick it up; when I briefly glanced at it, one of the conributors proposes lowering minimum wages as an inducement for greater youth employement!

put in file please

5. Adoption Bill
It is being drafted by the legislative council's office for me. Should I see/ can I see if Dave Clarke or others might wish to cosponsor?

OK

6. Redskins Tickets
Mr. Reed's secretary called and apoligized profusely for not having transmitted the names; she said that he asked her to remind him and she had not. She assured me that we would have hte list no later than next wednesday; I told her that if we didn't we would send thema nasty letter. (She's generally very conscientious and I am sure we will get-finally!!) If not by then, I will call you on Thursday witha draft mailgram.

and the "academic achievement" too which they received tickets

Go ahead. Begin to develop support information for pre-report piece on the pro: Be sure we fully understand existing legal structure in D.C. Also we need to begin to put together data on how many new jobs we may be talking about.

revise background statement to include some recognition of "mother" and her possible problems with this issue. Does mother have no "rights" - might this increase abortions if out-of-wedlock mothers know they can't choose to remain unnamed? We need to address issue. I'm sure you have thought about... provide some words.

7. Smoking?

Julius has been very uncomfortable in this chair in council chamber - pillows slip - don't fit - one year one way & on the other. Discussed with Dave - I'm sure you all can figure out some way to solve problem before next meeting. Also both chairs at other meeting/hearing rooms

DAVID F. SMITH
Feb.18.1977

Weekly Report

STATE FAIR "Concerned Citizen"package is in folder. Hearing 4/20.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT "Concerned Citizen" package is in folder. Hearing 3/18.

SMOKING BILL No action this week.

STATEHOOD Common Cause D.C. meet with Julius and myself today to lend their support. They cannot public ly announce their support without permission from the National Common Cause, which they doubt in the near future. They said their role would have to be limited to assisting in the public education campaign. They plan to launch their campaign May 4 with a forum on Statehood and alternatives. Their tact will be when the alternatives to statehood are compared to statehood, they each will offer less to the citizens than true statehood. I have not been able to compile enough information regarding the financial/rights aspect of statehood as we discussed, to include in this report this week. I spent most of the day today coordinating media coverage for the convention Sat. and doing other matters associated with the convention.I will pick up Julius for the convention bet. 1:30-1:45 Sat.

Happy Valentines Day !

Weekly Report

Pat Miner
February 11, 1977

1. Accountability Bill
Ed Webb is developing an opinion to discuss/present to the Committee for the hearings reiterating our legal authority to act in this fashion. Risher has been requested to provide comment also. Ed Webb is fairly certain that Risher will agree with us; earlier positions of his are congruent with our authority to legislate in this area.

Have met with miscellaneous people about the bill: NEA/ OE etc. Should have good turnout at the hearing hopefully. Notices were sent to all PTA presidents in addition to the persons who generally receive such notices. Talked to two parent groups this week in the evening to discuss issues.

2. Unit Budgeting
See draft letter to mayor re: noncompliance with resolution 1-343.

3. State Fair
Have contacted Dr. Rittenbush and he will get back to us about a time for lunch/etc, next week.

4. Committee Meeting
No business items for meeting on the 15th of Feb., except approval of letter to mayor from committee uring compliance of Executive branch with unit budgeting resolution. A briefing has been scheduled for that time with the Educational Liscensure commission.

5. Adoption
See draft bill and background statement prepared by the Adoptees in Search - which is a metropolitan organization of adopted adults who are advocating access to birth records for adpted adults/ and provide assistance to those in search of their roots. I certainly hope we would intorduce. If you approve, it can be prepared for intorduction asap. All that the bill does is add a phrase to existing law which requires sealing of records - except for adoptees who have reached majority.

→ What to date of hearing. Make sure Julius is well briefed, has talking points etc. If you want him to ask specific questions of those preparing testimony — be sure to give Jules the Sunday before the hearing

→ anything else we can do to speed up? PTA litigation to Mayor.

→ Pat why bother with a meeting? You could get the letter (unit budgeting) approved by committee members. Otherwise waste of Julius time. ~~Also~~ Julius wants you to get hearing date for State Fair and Youth Employment at meeting.

→ I know how you feel about this Pat & we will introduce. But remember other resolutions must come first in your time priority.

Pat — Push on Reed to get names of students he gave Redskin tickets to — and for what "academic achievement" were the students selected. Tell him the info is to go in our next constituent newsletter (students should have written Julius thank you) if you are getting nowhere by Wed — draft mailgram to Reed + read to me over phone! Maybe we should call Hobby?

DAVID F. SMITH
February 11.1977

Weekly Report

STATEHOOD- I have arranged for Common Cause to speak to Julius next Friday morning re statehood. They are gearing up for a conference on self-determination and the ways to achieve it in May. Sam Smith will be one of the speakers. I went to a meeting this week of the group Self-Determination for D.C. (they are not for statehood). They are going to retain a group of people (researchers) to consider the topic: D.C. The Fiscal Implications of Statehood. Several of us at the meeting were openly concerned about the objectivity of the project, considering who is sponsoring it. The researchers decided to come back with a new outline. The outline they proposed is in the Statehood folder. D.C. P.I.R.G. will assist me with the financial aspects of statehood and would like to be part of the next Self-Determination meeting. I think Julius should be in attendance as well. Common Cause also said they would assist me. Please suggest other contacts to assist with the financial question. Incidently, Jo Butler and Lou Aronica were also at the meeting. Next Saturday Afternoon is the Statehood Party Convention. Julius's leadership just by being there will have a very beneficial impact on the Party. I hope he can attend. I will take Julius since I am going anyway.

who are they? — We must organize our own research. — ?? who — not a bad outline if they are objective? — Pls. plan to pick up Julius — set hearing date — set hearing date

Smoking- No news this week.

State Fair Our information package to concerned citizens was mailed today.

Youth Employment- Our information package to concerned citizens was mailed today.

Pls send X copy of final package for these two mailings home next sunday.

Dave - See my notes on your February 4 report from our IR orientation. We feel these two items are essential in the allocation of priorities. You cannot rely on anyone else to get these done but yourself — You coordinate the volunteers. Each week we would like a report on how you are coming along with these 2 items (1) statehood budget and (2) "rights" under statehood versus "rights" under home rule). Carlos knows these are major weak areas — and makes everyone appear a lot foolish when discussing statehood. We would like a 1st draft by March 14 of info. you have organized in these 2 areas. If you have problems getting help — let me know asap.

Pat Miner
David Smith
February 4, 1977

Weekly Report

1. Accountability Bill

Have been talking to federal/other educational types soliciting testimony/assistance for the hearing. We have also received an advance copy of the General Counsel for the Board's opinion on the bill... He states that the Council does not have the authority to act on this matter, that it constitutes the establishment of poicy for the schools -- despite the fact that he acknowledges that the bill requires the Board to establish a policy in the area of accountability, rather than establishing the policy for them. I discussed this breifly with Ed Webb who says that we do indeed have the power to legislatively expand the Board's duties, alter Title 31 (which we have done everytime we legislate anything about the schools), reduce the duties of the Board - as long as it is done in concert with the Charter. He feels that there isno problem. I don't know what this wi-l mean politically; whether or not the Board will heed his advice, or proceed in some other fashion??? Interestingly enough, he(Board) indicated to me that he felt that the Board has no obligation to implement school cost accounting and that he informally told Board members that; Their lawyer also said that he liked our bill and hoped that the Board would adopt a similar/ or identical provision as policy. (See folder for opinion)

2. State Fair

State Fiar package - letter and enclosures -- will be sent out to concerned citizens and ANC commissioners at the beginning of the week.

3. Smoking

List of "concerned citizens" being expanded due to phone calls from supporters. D.C. Lung association has volunteered any assistance we will need.

→ Brief Julius & have him talk with Hilda Mason, Hobby about this issue, Also ask Ed Webb to testify at hearing (or issue written statement). Send School Bd's GC opinion (from Julius) to Rishen (sp), the Mayor's GC, for comment. Ask Rishen to discuss personally with Julius.

→ Draft for review & Send strong telegram to Mayor, (copy to Rishen) asking for 1st cost accounting report ___ weeks overdue. You deal only with the GC for the Mayor not with the School Bd. GC! Read telegram to me over phone & send copies to all PTA Presidents.

→ Call me Mon or Tues of names of people who want to meet with you asap & begin working on this. Smithsonian is interested.

Weekly Report

Feb. 4th

4. Employment Bill
Have discussed with Jo Butler and will be setting up meeting in near future. See redraft of letter for mail out next week in signature folder.

5. Statehood
T.V. Show Saturday -- David will pick-up Julius Saturday at 12:45. He spent time this week explaining to the producers of show exactly what this issue is about in order to insure that our side of the issue will be presented farily and with intelligence. Note attached letter revised (see signature folder) to concerned citizens. He found the article that compared the political rights of D.C. with those of the territories and will include in the mailing as you suggeste

6. Teachers Pay Raise
See folder on this issue with pertinent documents which have been filed and ready for monday. A waiver of the Council Rules has been recommended by the Committee and will be addressed at the legislative session on Tuesday -- and at the Committee of the Whole on Monday. In brief, the bill provides the same 4/83% increase for teachers that police, firemen, and GS people have already recieved, retroactive to Octoberl, 1976. Major issues to be resolved -- appropriate representatives of the schools and mayor's office will be present -- are: why the teachers have not been paid, how soon permanent legislation will allow payment to occur, and most importantly - if sufficient funds exist in the supplemental FY 1977 budget to pay for the increases. The school board argues no and the Mayor argues yes -- the discrepancy in the area of $288,000 -- They will address that point at the Committee of the Whole meeting on monday. Should be rather lengthy discussion of tec-nical points at that time, which staff is prepared to answer; talking points will be available.

7. David and I have both been suffering - me with the aftermath of the flu and he with a minor(?) strep throat - We have stayed away from Julius when ill. Things should pick up .

Next week, list names/groups to whom you sent this package! (Ask Jo for help in developing list. → in your report

As a result of the Sat. T.V. show we decided a priority was to:

(1) • Draft budget/sources for "state of Columbia" (compare monies to other federal payments to Calif., Mississippi, etc.) also commuter taxes & payroll taxes, similar to other states (no higher)

(2) • What (exactly) "rights" would each citizen have under statehood that they don't have under Home Rule... list. (include approximately how many more "elected/appointed" officials we might have) and in what categories.

Bill Julius carefully & tell him what staff questions you are prepared to answer.

Please get yourself some interns to help!

Jan. 28,1977

DAVID SMITH
PAT MINOR

Weekly Report

Pat was ill this week and therefor required three days sick leave, Wed., Thur. & Fri.

How about Youth Employment Bill? status of mailing?

Accountability Bill We are preparing for public hearing scheduled Feb. 24th. All concerned groups have been notified. No feedback yet from supporters, however it is expected shortly.

Have we contacted appropriate federal (HEW) offices for help/comment. How about educational associations. Clean out your file - we only need one copy of everything relating to bill... resolution, background statement, constituent letter, etc. Pls keep up to date.

Sunday review

State Fair Final draft letter in folder for signature. Attached to the letter is the enclosure we will also send out to the "concerned citizens". Signed letter

Redskin Tickets I called Mr. Reed's office today to remind them about our interest in the ticket disposition and I was assured that Mr. Reed will personally reply any day.

thanks; I just want to make sure they weren't distributed to "friends"... also to let Councilmembers know they were given for "academic achievement". The list of students should show what "academic achievement" they were given for

Committee Meeting Next Tuesday at 10:00 A.M. One agenda item will be making the emergency teacher pay increase permanent.

Good

Smoking No action however U.S. News and World Report will very likely mention our bill in either next weeks issue or the one following, as a result of a conversation with one of their writers.

Statehood WRC-4 wants to do a half hour on statehood in a week. I will be receiving the details Monday afternoon from someone puting the program together. Can I volunteer Julius's appearance if he is up to it?

Yes. Julius said he would go - could you or Sandy plan to go with him?

Draft letter to ANC Commissioners is in folder for your review. Are the attached enclosures appropriate?

How are you doing on getting intern help - to help with telephone inquiries, mailing, etc? Note there haven't been any constituent letters for Jeff to sign to Reed - no irate parents, etc.

Pat Miner
January 21, 1977

Weekly Report

Pat How about scheduling all Julius' bills before his Committee asap!

1. Accountability Bill
Public hearing set for February 24th -- see notice in folder. The notice has been filed with the Secretary's Office. (Note: this is not a new procedure -- the Council approves public hearings at the Committee of the Whole before they are publishe in the D.C. Register) D.C. Citizens haven't helped yet, since they are in the throes of changing leadership. They are alterted and have copy of bill and background statement. Letters to Board and PTA's etc. has gone out quite some time ago. See copies of letters in folder.

→ Can D.C. Citizens hold meeting of PTA's, Presidents, etc. to discuss support / hearing Testimony?

→ have you had any response or feedback? Do you know which groups / organizations will support you?

2. Youth Employment Bill
Because the Committee decided to have the Accountability hearing on the 24th, it delayed the youth employment hearing. It was decided in the Committee meeting that ~~the hearing~~ on this matter would be indefinitely delayed. See cover letters for copies of this bill and ~~State Fiar bill~~ which David did.

→ Julius says to file for hearing date asap!!! Discuss with Julius. Bring up new hearing date at next Committee meeting & make sure it is approved. If necessary, sit by Julius while he does a little lobbying of Committee members.

3. State Fair Bill
Nothing new to report. David has compiled lists of arts and cultural groups who will also receive mailing.

→ OK

4. Redskins Tickets
Will have an answer next week. Reed was out of town early this week and is out now with the Flu. His secretary says that he does have a list, but that she doesn't know where. Will report as soon as possible.

→ Keep pushing on this, We want to send list of names and "achievements" to other Council members - and set standards for next fall.

5. Washingtonian Article
David talked to the person who is writing the article and the man would like something by next week. David will have a draft statement finished in the beginning of the week for your review.

→ Pls. send home for review

Pat Miner
January 14, 1977

Weekly Report

1. Accountability bill
Public Hearing has been scheduled for February 17th. The delay is because public hearings have to be filed in the Secretary's office nad published in the D.C. register for a minimum of 15 days prior to their occurrence. The first availalbe date in the chambers is then. See draft hearing notice filed. Since Spaulding's bill has been introduced, and referred to the committee, and is essentially the same as ours -- although less specific and giving the Board more time for conpliance -- I think it would be appropriate to have a hearing on both at the same time, and then we can report out the ibill late in February or early March.

2. Youth Employment bill
Public ~~hxxxx~~ hearing on this bill can be scheduled for Febraruy 24th - the chambers is availble on that date. I have received some more material from the Manpower institute which will be helpful to us. See folder for letter to various groups to accompany the bill.

3. Committee Meeting, Etc.
Our first organizational committee meeting will be on Tuesday at 10:00 A.M. - and all future committee meetings will be on alternate Tuesdays at 10. At the first meeting, we must comsider rules. See draft rules, which are based on the Council rules and prescribed in part by the Council. I would like to develop a time-table for each of our meetings during the nextfew months to show specifically what we will do when, and what will be reported out when. As we get further along, I think we can report out quite a bit of this legislation relatively quickly.
See committee agenda for Tuesday which details the bills which are referred to the committee. I have also included a folder which has copies of each of ~~thxx~~ the bills which have been introduced. Later I will have a folder on each of the bills, as we deal with them in committee.

Good idea-be sure to check with me so we can make sure JWH priority bills come first.

We had planned to do a hearing notice. will do so by Monday.

★ read Dave's report last

Pat/Dave - We understand it is very difficult to get a social security number in D.C. + therefore the unemployment of young people may be even higher than we think. Can you call as an "ordinary citizen" and try to get a SS number and ~~see what happens? How long does it take? How are~~ you treated?

Didn't we know this procedure before now - or is this a new policy?

OK - sounds fine. Should be interesting! Who have you sent copy of bill and JWH letter to? Have the PTA Presidents received? Is D.C. Citizens helping?

Schedule for 24th. This will be very controversial and heated. Important that we have people to testify on both sides - or all sides. We should tell people (union) that Julius isn't crazy about this approach -- but wants immediate action to employ more youth/young adults. Maybe Unions can offer some better ideas at hearing. We need to do good homework on this - be ~~sure~~ sure Dave reads DoL & Brookings reports so you all can answer questions. ★ ~~Who was this bill sent to "constituents" + with what cover letter?~~ (See January 7 weekly report: yours) very important!

Be sure to discuss this thoroughly and carefully with Julius on Monday -- if necessary by phone -- don't let him go to meeting unprepared or on different wave length.

4. D.C. Retired Teachers
See draft bill, attached following report. It was developed by the National Association of Retired Persons for the D..C. Retired Teachers Assoc. It gives the right to have annuitys restored if the benificiary dies before the annuitant. The Congress has passed similar legislation for Civil Service persons in 1974. This would merely bring compliance of the Teachers' Salary Act with the benefits which civil service annuitants have . I think we should intorddce it; it might not be passed since the Council is working on the personnel system, however, for purposes of pleasing a group of consitutents who are pretty solidly in our corner. I think it is a good idea. Please advise. It can easily be prepared for filing, since they are willing to do the backup work - or at least most of it.

have prepared for filing & let them draft background for you. Do not help at this time - we want to focus on JWH bills; how does this fit in with need for total annuity/pension reform?

5. State Fair → *Who was the "constituent" groups this bill was sent to and with what cover letter? Important! Ramsey is focusing on bowling alleys and has never been to a state fair so cannot be counted on as a promoter. His concept of a "fair" is the SW effort — very amatur and straggly! He also does not think in terms of the total city yet.

*I read Dave's report last - covered there

6. Pat - do ask Reeves who got JWH Redskins tickets and for what academic achievement? Would like list. (would be nice if they would write & thank Julius?)

DRAFT #1

A BILL

In the Council of the District of Columbia

To amend section 31-725, D.C. Code, to eliminate the annuity reduction made in the annuity of any teacher retiring under sections 31-723 or 31-724, in order to provide a surviving widow or widower or a survivor annuitant having an insurable interest with an annuity, during periods when such teacher is not married or upon the death of the survivor annuitant having an insurable interest.

Be it enacted by the Council of the District of Columbia, That section 31-725 (b) (1), D.C. Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "An annuity which is reduced under this paragraph or any similar prior provision of law shall, for each full month during which such teacher is not married, be recomputed and paid as if the annuity had not been so reduced. Upon remarriage of such teacher, the annuity shall be reduced by the same percentage reductions which were in effect at the time of retirement."

Sec. 2. Section 31-725 (b) (2), D.C. Code, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "An annuity which is reduced under this paragraph or any similar prior provision of law shall, for each full month following the death of the survivor annuitant duly designated under this paragraph, be recomputed and paid as if the annuity had not been so reduced."

Sec. 3. Section 31-725 (d), D.C. Code, is amended by deleting the word "irrevocably."

Sec. 4. The amendments made by this Act shall apply to annuities which commence before, on or after the date of enactment of this Act, but no increase in annuity shall be paid for any period prior to the first day of the first month which begins on or after the date of enactment of this Act.

Pat Miner
January 7, 1977

Weekly Report

1. Accountability Bill - Bill 2-3

See draft letters to Board of Education Members, concerned citizens (for PTA's and others) and Vincent Reed. Several people have called and come by for copies. I talked to Councilman Spaulding and he will be introducing a similar measure; (see press release) he discussed tthe possibility of having a hearing on both measures at the same time. He wants to become more active in the committee (!). Several administrators in the schools have been over to get copies also.

I suggest that we have hearings on this in about one month and prepare to report out as soon as possilbe.

2. Youth Employment Bill - Bill 2-4

The director of the minimum wage board has received a copy and I will be preparing letters for the Greater WAshington Central labor Council, Board of Trade, Departmnet of Manpower head, etc. Should be ready to roll no later than Tues. with that stuff. Several persons have called in to discuss and ask for copies, which have been sent out.

3. State Fair Bill - Bill 2-8

Copy has been sent to Rumsey in Recreation. Who should I distribute to? Business, church, cultural leader type folks?

4. Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs

First, I have to draft new rules for the committee, based on the new council rules - required By the council rules -- merely a disgusting typing exercize for the typing pool.

Second, the Chairman is suggesting particular days for each committee to meet, as well as times - his suggestion for us is the first and third wednesdays of each month, ~~in~~ the afternoon.

note: the people with whom he is talking at NEA are good folks.

this bill will be our first priority. Don't wait for Spaulding — but hearings can cover both measures.

send copy of our bill to these people for review/comment.

can you schedule within 3 weeks? Announce for week after 20th.

these bills plus background letters to Council members should be sent to ANC Commissioners with short cover note from Julius (small size paper) — please draft copy & send to me with. Separate mailing for Sandy's. Ask Lorraine to work on as she has time... Dave should help coordinate/supervise —

Also send to civic associations, youth groups (ask Rumsey for list) Bd. of Education, Council, etc.

special constituent groups, also neighborhood improvement associations.

January 7, 1977 Weekly Report

Our previous meeting time was the third thursday in the month in the morning. I don't really care. Sterling ostensibly was trying to leave Thursdays for publi hearings and to schedule the committee's with no overlap so that any councilmember could attend anybody else's meetings. See memorandum afterwards from him on this issue. We did not get it at the time it was dated. Lorraine received it Thursday evening. Please advise. We can allow the schedeling of meetings every other wednesday and cancel them as we see fit.

Third, I will prepare draft public hearing notices for the acocountability bill and try to schedule a date. I think that should take place, in about a month, as well as a roundtable group for the specifics of the bill -- including pertinent educational-community people -- like we did on unit budgeting. I will also draft one on the youth employment bill if you desire I don't know at this time about the availability of time in the chamber.

Fourth, all of the aforementioned bills were referred to this committee. I will have the teacher's pay raise bill,(the one recently done on an emergency basis) ready for reintroduction next week, as soon as the typing pool can spit it out. I think that we sould consider having the State Fair Bill and the Youth Employment Bill - either jointly referred - or referred for comment -- to the Committee on Economic Development and Employment (Ms. Rolarks' committee) She, David tells me, has indicated interest in both of the bills and comment from her committee (assuming it was favorable) would be additional incentive for our bills - In fact, it is interesting that the youth employment bill was not routinely referred to both committees (it is done on a number of bills) because it concerns employemnt which is the area her committee focusses on, and also because it refers to the Minimum Wage Board which her committee has under its purview. Please think about.. According to the way things ususally operate, when the secreatry reads his log at next Tuesday's meeting and assigns the bills, Julius caould ask for comment or joint referreal then.

Julius wants to meet in the morning at 10:00 a.m. — the afternoons would create too great a hardship. Wednesday's OK. the week after the 20th OK?

the week following accountability bill?

No — let it stay with your Committee (so we can maintain 100% control). Julius can personally ask Ms. Rolark for comment. Julius would prefer to have total responsibility - but invite Rolarks to sit in on hearing, etc.

Fifth, Julius should inquire whether or not there is additional staff available to the committee since the Committee on Higher Education has been allowed to die out. Spaulding has a clerk that served for both the Committee on personnel and administration and for the Higher Education portion. Other staff will probably be reassigned from Hardy to Clarke with the new committee structure.

5. Miscellaneous
Rhunita has gotten a job with Anton and the ANC he is with so we have lost her. Cleo is back in the hospital with complications from her surgery. I talked to the personnel lady here who said that i would have to formally put her on leave without pay status/ I will take care of whatever I have to. Also, as long as she is under hospital care, it is important that she be officially clear so that it won't mess up her health insurance --(she has run out of leave).

I would like to request leave on January 21st - or possibly the 28th - both Fridays.

I will schedule a committee meeting for the third Wednesday of this month - unless you directed otherwise above - and at that time we could review what bills are currently in the committee and approve the new rules for Council period 2 -

P.S. Willie Hardy is reintroducing the curfew referendum resolution awaiting to Restrop).

draft such as request (read over phone to T, & initial top from Julius to Chairman — can you him)
get someone to at least answer the phone

— correct — this is what I suggested Sandy / Lorraine do last week so check with Lorraine.

the 28th would probably be better it OK with you.

— in the morning please

saw in the paper!

Council of the District of Columbia
Memorandum

FYI

District Building, 14th and E Streets, N.W. 20004 Fifth Floor 724-8000

To MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

From STERLING TUCKER, CHAIRMAN

Date January 4, 1977

Subject Schedule of Council Committee Meetings - Council Period Two

The attached schedule is my recommendation for the meeting times of the reorganized Council Committees during Council Period Two. I submit it to you for review and comment and suggest that it become operative as of the week of January 10th. With your concurrence of the schedule, the Secretary will publish it, as of that date.

This schedule avoids the problem of members attending scheduled Committee meetings where it would conflict with the meeting of another Committee of which you are a member. It further establishes Wednesdays and Thursdays as prime public hearing days, although, they may be scheduled at any time.

This schedule only delineates the schedules of the standing committees. Special committees will meet as required by the work-load and with proper notification.

I have asked my Executive Assistant, Rodney Coleman, to coordinate this matter with you and I desire to receive any and all comments prior to next week.

Attachment

Council Committee Meeting Schedule
Council Period Two

A. (1) 10:00 A.M. - 1st and 3rd Wednesday
Room 501 - Committee on Employment and Economic Development
Councilmembers Rolark (Chairperson), J. Moore, Wilson and Winter

Room 503 - Committee on Government Operations
Councilmembers Dixon (Chairperson), Barry, Hobson, D. Moore and Spaulding

(2) 1:00 P.M. - 1st and 3rd Wednesday

Room 501 - Committee on Education, Recreation and Youth Affairs
Councilmembers Hobson (Chairperson), Hardy and Spaulding

Room 503 - Committee on Finance and Revenue
Councilmembers Barry (Chairperson), Dixon, D. Moore, Shackleton, Clarke and Wilson

B. (1) 10:00 A.M. - 2nd and 4th Wednesday
Room 501 - Vacant

Room 503 - Committee on Housing and Urban Development
Councilmembers Winter (Chairperson), Clarke, J. Moore, Dixon and Spaulding

(2) 1:00 P.M. - 2nd and 4th Wednesday
Room 501 - Committee on Transportation and Environmental Affairs
Councilmembers J. Moore (Chairperson), Hobson, D. Moore and Winter

Room 503 - Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety
Councilmembers Clarke (Chairperson), Barry, Dixon, Hardy and Rolark

C. (1) 10:00 A.M. - Odd Tuesdays (non legislative session days)
Room 501 - Vacant

ERYA →

Room 503 - Committee on Human Resources and the Aging
Councilmembers Shackleton (Chairperson), Clarke, D. Moore, Rolark and Wilson

(2) 1:00 P.M. - Odd Tuesdays (non legislative session days)
Room 501 - Vacant

Room 503 - Committee on Public Services and Consumer Affairs
Councilmembers Wilson (Chairperson), Hardy, Spaulding and Shackleton

D. Special Committees: Meet as determined by workload

January 4, 1977

Council of the District of Columbia
News Release

FYI

City Hall, 14th and E Streets, N.W. Fifth Floor 638-2223 or Government Code 137-3806

FROM: WILLIAM R. SPAULDING
Councilmember, Ward 5

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
BRUCE A MARSHALL, Executive Assistant

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

COOPERATIVE RESPONSIBILITY IN PUBLIC EDUCATION:

Mr. Dave Darland and representatives of the National Education Association's Division of Instruction and Professional Development, and Mr. Sam Jordan, DC/NEA, recently hosted a meeting for D.C. City Councilman William R. Spaulding and members of his staff.

The meeting was to discuss the thrust of the nationwide movement toward improving the efficiency and effectiveness of public education, and the implications for Cooperative Responsibility in Public Education legislation for the District of Columbia.

Mr. Spaulding, Chairman of the Council's Committee on Higher Education, has long been concerned with the caliber of education received in our public schools, and committed to the belief that the achievement of a quality public education by all youths need not be a pipe dream. Because of this, Mr. Spaulding is looking closely at what impact Comprehensive Responsibility in Public Education legislation might have upon assuring that every student graduating from the public schools of the District of Columbia is capable of functioning as a contributing member of society.

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The National Education Association has been quite involved in assisting state legislatures formulate and assess comprehensive plans to affect the educational quality of public education.

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUANCE SYSTEM

Mayor's Order 76-242
December 6, 1976

ORG. ORDER #208 Amended
SUBJECT: Mayor's Committee on the Handicapped

ORIGINATING AGENCY: Department of Human Resources

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, it is hereby ORDERED THAT:

1. PURPOSE. There is hereby established in the Executive Office of the Mayor a standing committee of citizens to be known as the Mayor's Committee on the Handicapped. This Committee replaces the Advisory Council on Vocational Rehabilitation established by Organization Order No. 134, dated October 11, 1962, and the Mayor's Committee on the Employment of the Handicapped referred to in Commissioner's Order 68-657, dated October 8, 1968. This Order supersedes Mayor's Order 76-208 dated October 15, 1976.

   The Committee will act in an advisory capacity to the Mayor, on the broad human needs, including both services and employment, of the handicapped and disabled in the District of Columbia. The Committee will concern itself with issues related to employment and an integrated delivery system for providing services to eligible persons disabled by such conditions as blindness, deafness, heart disease, mental retardation, mental illness, epilepsy, paraplegia, quadraplegia and other spinal cord conditions, renal failure, orthopedic disability, respiratory or plumonary dysfunction, etc.

   To carry out the purposes of this Order, the Mayor's Committee shall work closely with the Department of Human Resources, which has been designated as the Single State Agency for the administration of the Vocational Rehabilitation State Plan for the District of Columbia in Commissioner's Order 73-142, dated June 15, 1973.

II. FUNCTIONS. The Mayor's Committee on the Handicapped shall act in an advisory capacity to the Mayor, in such areas as the following:

-- Review of and comments on the District of Columbia's Vocational Rehabilitation State Plan and the Annual Vocational Rehabilitation Program and Financial Plan.

-- Delineation of the special needs of the handicapped residing in the city from the vantage point of individuals, agencies, and groups represented on the Committee.

-- Identification of governmental and non-governmental resources for serving the disabled, including staffing levels and patterns and availability of fiscal and physical resources.

-- Review of the activities and programs currently conducted or planned for the disabled by public and private agencies.

The Mayor's Committee on the Handicapped may undertake such other functions as follows:

-- Reviewing public facilities, D.C. Government buildings and facilities, and public housing to identify, eliminate, or modify architectural barriers.

-- Studying recreational facilities and programs for their accessibility to handicapped persons as well as assessing the feasibility of developing special recreational activities specifically designed for the severly disabled.

-- Reviewing mass public transportation and taxi services to identify and eliminate structural and attitudinal barriers and investigating the possibility of establishing special low-cost transportation services for the severely physically handicapped.

-- Assisting in the identification of gaps in the dissemination of information on the vocational rehabilitation program to interested residents of the District.

-- Cooperating with the President's Committee on the Employment of the Handicapped in carrying out activities that will promote the employment of the disabled.

-- Planning and implementing special activities in observance of the annual National Employment of the Handicapped Week.

-- Making such other recommendations or engaging in such other activities as the Committee may deem appropriate with respect to matters affecting the handicapped population of our city.

III. COMPOSITION AND MEMBERSHIP. The Mayor's Committee on the Handicapped shall consist of twenty-nine (29) members, including three (3) ex officio members, who shall be selected on the basis of their experience, reputation, or demonstrated interest in the field of vocational rehabilitation of the physically, mentally, and emotionally handicapped. The Committee will be composed of the following members:

-- one (1) member of the D.C. City Council to be designated by the Chairman;

-- one (1) medical consultant;

-- one (1) handicapped person including the working handicapped from each of the eight (8) wards in the city;

-- one (1) architect or builder;

-- three (3) individuals representing local professional organizations formulated as a result of a specific interest in serving the disabled;

-- three (3) individuals representing organized community agencies serving the handicapped;

-- three (3) individuals respresenting consumer disability groups;

-- three (3) individuals representing the business community;

-- one (1) individual representing the Board of Education and one (1) individual representing the vocational educational program of the local public school system; and

-- three (3) ex officio members to include the following officials (or their designated representatives):

1. the Director of the Department of Human Resources;

2. the Administrator of the DHR Social Rehabilitation Administration; and

3. the Director of the D.C. Department of Manpower.

Committee members shall be appointed by the Mayor, after consideration of nominations from such other sources as the Mayor may consider appropriate. The Mayor will also designate the Committee Chairperson.

IV. TERMS OF APPOINTMENT. Members shall hold office for terms of three (3) years, except that one-third of the initial appointees shall serve for one year, one-third for two years, and one-third for three years. No person shall serve more than two consecutive terms but an individual can be reappointed after a lapse of one year. Should a vacancy occur through the death, incapacity, or resignation of a member, the Mayor may appoint, in the same manner as regular appointments, a successor to complete the unexpired term.

If a Committee member is appointed more than one day after the date ending the preceding term, the term of such member shall expire three years from the preceding term rather than three years from the date of his or her appointment.

V. ORGANIZATION. The Mayor's Committee on the Handicapped shall determine its own organization, establishing appropriate sub-committees and determining its own rules of procedure. The Committee shall have the right to develop and issue its own by-laws, including specifications as to time, place, and frequency of meetings, sub-committee formation, etc.

Each year at the initial meeting following the appointment of new members, the Committee shall elect from among its members such officers as it deems necessary. All meetings of the Committee will be on call of the Chairperson, who shall call at least one meeting during each quarter of each year.

VI. STAFF AND SUPPORT SERVICES. Staff support to the Mayor's Committee will consist of one (1) full-time employee of the Department of Human Resources, who will function as an Executive Secretary to the Committee. The Department will provide appropriate space, materials, equipment, typing services, and supplies for the Mayor's Committee.

VII. COMPENSATION. Members of the Mayor's Committee shall serve without compensation, but appropriate expenses such as parking fees will be reimbursed by the Department of Human Resources.

VIII. EFFECTIVE DATE. The provisions of this Order shall become effective immediately.

WALTER E. WASHINGTON
Mayor

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GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUANCE SYSTEM

Mayor's Order 76-241
November 24 1976

SUBJECT: Establishment of the Southwest Waterside Mall Task Force
4th & M Sts. S.W.

ORIGINATING AGENCY: Executive Office

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the District of Columbia, it is hereby ORDERED that:

1. Establishment: There is established in the government of the District of Columbia the Southwest Waterside Mall Task Force, which shall advise the Mayor on policies and actions he may adopt, and shall assist in the implementation of those policies and actions toward the goal of a viable and completely developed Southwest Mall.

2. Composition: The City Administrator shall chair the Task Force. Other members shall include the following, or their designated representatives:

Corporation Counsel
Chief, Metropolitan Police Department
Director, Department of Economic Development
Director, Department of Housing and Community Development
Director, Department of Environmental Services
Director, Municipal Planning Office
Director, Department of Recreation
Director, Department of Transportation

Additional persons to be invited to serve will include the following:

A representative of the Washington Metropolitan Transit Authority
A Member of the Board of the Redevelopment Land Agency
Chairman of the Mayor's Overall Economic Development Committee

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Citizens to be invited to serve will include the following:

Two members of the Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2-D
Two members of the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly
A representative of the Waterside Merchants Association
A representative of Bresler and Reiner, Inc.

The Mayor may appoint additional members from time to time. Members shall serve without compensation.

3. Administration: The Office of Community Services shall provide administrative assistance to the Task Force.

4. Effective Date: This Order shall be effective on December 1, 1976.

WALTER E. WASHINGTON
Mayor

I have heard that this was done in response to complaints from Southwest Neighborhood Assembly. Did you know of some controversy?

Pat Miner
December 17, 1976

Weekly Review

1. Unit Budgeting
Nothing new to report

2. Accountability Bill
I met with Pat McGuire and Johnny Barnes to discuss the finalization of the draft bill and background statement today. The lawyers at the D.C. Project, have gone over the draft and have recommended several technical changes to Pat which will be incorporatied/ Final version will be re-eived sometime next week.

3/ Recreation Bill
Upon further study and discussion with Cleo, I decided that it would not be prudent to introduce a unit budgeting type bill right now for recreation. They are in the process of developing an evaluation, performance monitoring system which incorporated many of the things that we had identified for such a bill. Since they are doing so voluntarily, it would be weird for us to introduce such legislation. We do now have a better set of ~~xxxx~~ materials available for purposes of monitoring their effectiveness and how they measure up to national and other general recreational practices.

4. State Fair
Rhunita was almost completed the draft bill today. Unfortunately, there have been office parties going on outside our door all day nad she was too far from completion to get it done. She assures me that it will be completed by Monday. I will have to go over the language in it to make sure it is okay.

5. Youth Employment
I contacted Dutch Embassy. They had no knowledge of the program cited in Parade; they felt that the report was based on a speech and not on actual policy. They have initated an inquiry to the minister cited and will advise me what information is available in between one week to ten days. See news clipping from Wash Star. I received copy of the article this afternoon late from Brookings (to avoid paying $7.50 for the journal I waited til they could send it). It will be helpful in background statement.

OK

OK

unless they take too long!

good!

how can we have this evaluated by citizen/constituent groups? Is it helpful/worthwhile to the lay person?

ok

what fun to challenge them!

? where is the clipping?

Pat — would you please ask V. Reed for a list of the students who received our Redskin football tickets — and upon what basis of academic excellence? I want to make sure he didn't cheat!

Upon reading more materials, etc. I don't feel that we need a learner permit set up for youth. It would create additional bureacracry (sp.) Youth under eighteen already have to get work permits. We may want to stipulate that they be advised when they receive their work permits that the minimum wage laws exist and how they fit in-- specific applications. Upon reading the existing Code and how the law is operating now, establihsing a lower wage may suffice in itself. It has the beauty of simplicity. I am ~~not~~ sure that as the D.C. Government reacts to this bill, it will identify any administrative components which may be necessary to implement. I don't think so though.

See also materials in the folder from the minimum wage board. There is already a precedent in that lower wages exist for some classes of employees for those under 18....We will have some fair amount of supporting data that the reduction of the whole class of persons wages will indeed probably help them get more jobs.

6. Statehood

Nothing beyond this much. David will leave 17th.!

See correspondence folder for letter received in response to letter in Star. Contains some criticisms of Statehood method we may want to investigate.

wage?

good vehicle, and bureaucracy already in place, for authorizing "learner" wage

We need to discuss - has nothing to do with "permits" has to do with minimum wages. Draft background statement & bill/resolution (from DOL confidential report) & lets finalize when I get back from Birmingham 12/27.

we want all under 19

use same age groups as DOL study.

I expect this assignment to be completed by 12/27 — if you have special problems in meeting this deadline let me know by 12/22. What we need is a good background statement & improved bill - I will work with you on this when I return on the 28th.

See attached comments Don't stick to what is or is possible - draft what is best for young people (i.e. what we might like to try) regardless of cost & we will proceed from there!

Pat Miner
December 10, 1976

Weekly Report

1. Unit Budgeting
Nothing new to report.

2. Accountability Bill
See draft bill (language is okay but not typed in our format yet) in folder. Pat McGuire deleted the section on teacher performance expectations; I personally will go along with any decisions you make; however, since we are jumping in to the area of accountability, it would seem logical for the board of ed. to establish employee or teacher performance expectations. How else do they evaluate teachers? It would seem to me that this would require them to elevate to the level of public policy and regulation the in-house evaluation criteria for teacher performance. The public should know just what is expected of teachers. I asked Pat to draft a section on that issue which she will bring me next week -- and if we all agree, it could go into the bill.

I'm just not sure we all know enough about what constitutes "accountability" in terms of student performance standards. First I would think we would request certain standards for graduating students — and then after a bit of experience (which may include all kinds of approaches) worry about teacher standards -- which would/should be more controversial. Discuss with Julius.

3. Additional Teachers' Slary Act Amendments
Approved on an emergency basis. Will be preparing a clean copy for reintroduction in January. Since it has been approved, and published in the D.C. Register, it will be a routine item for brief committee report as the other pay raise bills have been. Nothing to worry about.

OK

4. State Fair
Draft of state fair bill and background statement by next sunday. Rhunita has seen your comments from last week and is incorporating.

OK

5. Statehood letters
Letters gone to PTA pres./ hand delivered letters to Bd of Ed. Xmas cards to everyone except PTA are gone; PTA will be mailed Tues. Wed. ??

Great, thanks!

6. Recreation
Cleo is developing a draft bill for next sunday on recrational services; incorporating aspects of the unit budgeting concept for recreational services.

OK

7. Youth Employment

See folder- I put your xerox copy of the confidential stuff in there. See also copy of pertinent sections of the D.C. Code where amendments would be made. I have been doing some research in the area; will impact also on child labor provisions, I believe. Draft by next tuesday. Basically the bill will: — and "Background statement"

1. have a section of general purpose outlining the need for greater youth employment (in legislative terms--e.g. vague)
2. define employers, youth employees, and other pertinent actors in establishing wages.

Note: youth can only be those under 18. Title 36, sec.408(c)(1) states that the wages of those who are handicapped and those under 18 can be lowered by the Council below that already established in law.

3. I would suggest then, that I use the same age range which was previously enacted in several of our other bills for youth - ages 13 - 17 inclusive. 13-19 would be better — to use DOL report as basic source
4. I,D, to be issued by the same mechanism which work permits are currently issued... revised in D.C. Law 1-68 by our commitee last year... through the Board of Education; slthough the report on that bill stated that if a Department of Manpower is estalbihsed that tranferral of those functions would =Labor be appropriate. If we wish to make it a little easier on kids, I can do a little more hunting around -- we transferred a chunck of OYOS to Manpower to deal with youth employment stuff. We could ~~xxxx~~ build in some clear cooperative process for assuring that both offices know what is happening without kids having to do the coordination tehmselves. — Right
5. finally, ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ establishing a youth wage with the same conditions and terms of employment as contained in the Child Labor Law, at 75 % of minimum wage. — or no unemployment compensation responsibility on part of employe.

Entire bill will be no longer than three pages.

also want to see "Background Statement" at the same time we discuss bill. Include Dutch ideas - details can be worked out at hearings on bill.

Pat- this bill is to create thinking (focus) change & does not have to follow existing law/ legislation etc. We want people to start thinking in a different way - we may even ask Congress to change existing nationwide legislation OK

Use DoL definition - 16-19 even if it doesn't conform to Title 36. Change title 36!

Call Dutch Embassy and get copy of legislation

Dutch Solution

Half of Holland's unemployed are under 23 years old, and 60 percent of those youths who finished school this past summer are still without work.

This drastic situation has led the Dutch government to take some innovative employment steps. The Minister for Social Affairs, Jaap Boersma, recently announced the creation of "duo-jobs," whereby two youths will be hired for each vacant position. "How they divide up the work is left to them and the employer," a ministry spokesman explains.

Each youth gets half the wages and half the unemployment compensation, which is about 80 percent of the full wage in Holland.

Employers will also receive funds from the government for setting up new jobs. Firms hiring 17- to 22-year-olds who have been unemployed for more than six months will receive a $250-per-month subsidy.

In addition, the local governments are to get $18 million for a job-creation program to help 2000 youths on a temporary basis.

Priority

Pat - be sure to look at Xmas card info. — we need to revise list, address (hand written) and have in mail by Dec. 10!

Pat Miner
December 2, 1976

Weekly Report

1. Unit Budgeting
see notice attached of the meeting sponspred by the coalition of groups. They listed me as a member of the executive committee., which I didn't know that they were going to. I plan to attend; will advise.

looks like a good package/good start. Keep us informed — this is exactly the kind of response we would like to generate for all our bills.

2. Accountability bill
Draft to be given to me late today (friday) or monday, based on the outline which was in the folder last week-- including deleting references to teacher performance. Because Pat is involved in exams, the background report will not be ready for about two more weeks.

Did you agree?

Could we have a preliminary draft of "background" earlier?

3. Additional Teachers' Salary Act Amendments
On the agenda for Dec. 7th, as an emergency resolution and act. See folder for bill and resolution. Unless the Council rejects the supplemental appropriation for FY 1977 at this afternoon's meeting, there will be no problem. See attached letter from the Panama Canal Zone Company, in folder

Brief Julius:

(for bill/resolution asking Mayor to develop draft legislation)

4. State Fair
See attached meterials, in folder , from California, which sets up a process to contract with an outisde group to run the fair, in conjunction with their department of parks and recreation. We also received budget figures, which indicate that they support it financially also. Rhunita is contacting the state offices here for other legislation.

lets pattern after California. Tell Rhunita to draft legislation and "background" and use what info. she has. The Calif. fair "works" — let me see draft 1st then we may talk informally with Rumsey before we introduce. Can Rhunita prepare drafts by next Sunday? (We don't want to purchase land - can use Smithsonian folk life festival facilities) No horseraces unfortunately.

5. Statehood letters
see Dave's notebook

flu not allowed!

6. Employment ~~stuff~~
I have read the materials which you sent on youth employment or lack therof. Draft next week. I would have done earlier, but I have been fighting the flu this week and haven't accomplished as mush as I wanted.

(make one Xerox copy of report so we can both refer to it)

Just do preliminary legislation draft + "background". Lets get together next friday (during day) or Sat. at your convenience to work on this. Dave should come to and bring his info. on youth employment which he started earlier.

7. FY 1978 Budget
Override consideration this week, may splill over into next week. See letter from Dr. Therman Evans to Sterling Tucker on this issue.

(any action needed in this area?)

Evans letter doesn't indicate — someone really ought to take a look at the whole retirement area!

Pat Miner

November 25, 1976

Weekly Report

1. Unit Budgeting

Outcome of the meeting was very favorable. The group (of about 80) decided that it would be desireable to have an ongoing coalition of established educationally-oriented groups to discuss and push on issues. To this end, they have scheduled another meeting, inviting Andy Young and Carl Homàman (Urban coalition) to discuss with them how to pull together established organizations for that purpose. The group also adopted a number of resolutions which will be available next week in the report... calling for the Mayor to provide the first reports on Unit Budgeting, that the school;s information needs be considered a priority item in the development of accounting improvements (a la Arthur Anderson) when the city does spend the funds available for that purpose. Several of the speakers who appeared after Julius left, especially one from NIE(and other school-site budgeting projects) pointed out very clearly that unit budgeting was really only a tool, but a most critical one, in the beeter management of schools. Amazingly, the persons who are working together commented that they never thought that they could do so. Will keep you apprised of their progress. They are moving completely independently with support of their parent organizations.

2. Accountability Bill

I discussed your comments with Johnny Barnes and Pat McGuire; they left a memorandum of understanding which is in the folder. They will be developing legislation along the lines that I direct within the next week.

3. Fourhh Emergency Teachers' Salary Act

adopted, should be the end of this

4. Additional T achers' Salary Act Amendments

Bill is being retyped for introduction for emergency action on Dec. 7th. Report is not complete but will be ready. Actually, no report is required for an emergency bill, but it will help when the regular legislation is filed and adopted.

Sounds great! Exactly the generation of interest we wanted to occur. At least a good beginning... good job.

Do not invite Holman to any of the meetings sponsored by me.

Julius

Great!

See comments on memorandum

We hope!!!

O.K.

Weekly Report

5. State Fair
Finally, the people from California called back. Rhunita has talked to them several months ago and called several more times. They are sending out (as of Monday past) copies of the state legislation which they have teher for out information and use. We should have next week. I ~~spanke~~ spoke with the person myself and impressed ~~x~~ upon him the critical necessity of receiving the bills as soon as possible and he indicated that they would be mailed that day or the next morning. If not received by Monday, I will call back.

Good!

6. Statehood
David has developed draft letters for your review. Copies of the letter to the Star and questionnaire summaries are ready to go out as soon as letter is approved. Envelopes are ready. See David's folder for draft letters.

7. FY 1978 Budget
The Mayor has overridden some of the Council action in the budget. There is a legislative session on next Friday to deal with this issue and the revenue package. The only item which affects us is the override of some of the extra funds put in by the Budget Committee for the university. It won't be coming back to Committee however. Just for vote, in the legislative session. See folder for Mayor's letter

8. Retired Teachers
The D.C. Retired Teachers' Association has a bill which they will be getting to us in about a week which will ask for a reform in the retirement laws that affect them. The Congress recently enacted provisions which allow an already retired person to change their beneficiary in cases where the beneficiary dies before the person who made the bequest does so.... therefore, all civil service persons have that privilege. The teackers in D.C. do not and the retired teachers' are currently drafting a bill to submit to you for co nsideration for introduction in January. I encouraged them to let us have material and background information so that we could review it. Sounds good to me.

Remember - most states have offices in D.C. You don't always need to call the State if you can locate the D.C. office. They are usually quite cooperative.

OK - see comments in Dave's notebook

OK

OK

Pat Miner
November 19, 1976

Weekly Report

1. Unit Budgeting:
I will let you all know on Monday how the meeting turned out.

2. Accountability Bill
I agree, there could well be two bills. I hadnot thougth of it that way. I think that is important that the whole issue be discussed, even if it does take years. I will give you my best thoughts on the matter as to what I think is practical for now and waht could be a good thoought provking-debating bill. I think that we would want to include more than graduation requirements in the first bill however; will advise next week.

3. Fourth Emergency Teachers' Salary Act Amendments of 1976
Filed, for agenda of the meeting on Nov. 23, 1976. See folder (thick one) for latest copy of bill - identical to the earlier ones. No problems.

4. Additional Teachers' Salary Act Amendment of 1976
Committee approved on an emergency basis on Nov. 18, 1976. See letter in signature folder, advising Therman Evans of our action. Will be filed with report for the adgenda of the Dec. 7th meeting Draft of the report will be ready during the middle of the week. Nothing to it really - only potential snafu is that funds for this are in a supplemental appropriation which the Council is considering currently. If that does not pass, then this bill will not be able to be implemetnted. Committee did comment, however, that I will include that proviso in the report, so that the school's will not be forced to absorb $6 million in their current appropriations.

5. Emergency Bill for the Election in Ward VII
Tabled by the commitee. Therefore, this is a dead issue. The reason for the letter to Dr. Evans is that the Board's Secreatary requested formal notification of teh Committee's action yesterday.

Julius said you organized an excellent meeting on Saturday and I agree since I saw your packets! His only reservation was that he thought some of the participants might consider unit budget into a "solution" rather than as one "tool" in working toward an improved system of education. Any danger in this?

At least have graduation requirements plus? in Bill (and background statement/press release) ready for introduction on January 1). We agree with you that at some point all issues need be discussed.

Good! Sounds logical, follow through

OK.

6. OYOS
Meeting was a free for all about the transfer of functions with both Rumsey and Jones pointing fingers at each other about waht has not been done. George Harrod, Director of Personnel for the city, apoligized for the Executive branch for the administration problems and stated that he would have them taken care of with the help of the city administrator. I think this should reduce the number of silly phone calls we get about what is and isn't going on. Rumsey and Jones have said that they will inform us in writing how the tranfer is going. This will reduce any further headaches, I hope.

7. Memos from Bob Williams on Council Windup Procedures
See attached memo about the transfer of records, terminiation of employees (which doesn't I hope affect us). I will try to get a more definintive picture of what they expect in the way of tranferring committee's records to the central files?????

8. State Fair
Rhunita backand working on resolution.

9. Recreation Study
I have showed Cleo you comments in recent weeks and she will use them as a guide in gathering informaton. We also discussed the wisdom of focussing on legislation in other areas.

10. Statehood - Educational Project

Important

1. Type # 10 white envelopes to PTA Presidents
2. Draft letter to Reed
3. Draft letter to PTA Presidents
4. Off-set copies of Stan letter + editor

for next Sunday

We hope also!

Nice!

OK

You know the deadline. Can we have some preliminary information next week.

After reading letter to Stan, it seemed to me we could use this to encourage some specific curriculum focus on Statehood. When letter is printed make several hundred good copies!

1. Send copy to superintendent Reed asking that a study of statehood be included in Jr. High & High curriculum.
2. Send copy of letter to Reed plus JH letter to editor to PTA presidents - asking that they encourage study of statehood (also enclose questionnair summary)

Pat Miner

November 12, 1976

Weekly Report

1. Unit Budgeting

See attached materials about the citywide meeting. The group wa able to get Dr. Badi Foster from Harvard University to speak that day. I met him at the Urban Institute early in the development of the resolution. NIE is quite excited about this meeting and has indicated that there may be money for the schools in this area. They have arranged to hire Dr. Foster as a consultant the day prior to the meeting so that he can be in town... they regularly use him anyway. D.C. Citizens has been referring callers to me.(Nancy Harrison is ill and is going to resign effective December 1, 1976. Should I draft a nice letter thanking her for her assistance in the years that we have been receiving their testimony, and aid? → Yes!
Because of problems in other groups sponsoring this meeting, e.g. lack of an office, etc. I had to allow them at the last moment to use my name for information. If persons call, I will let them now that the meeting is not sponsored by the Council, but by these groups.

Where will the meeting be?

→ Ged Dave to help answer phones

2. Accountability Bill See folder

See attached report from Pat McGuire and Johnny Barnes. I think that They will be able to develop quite a good bill. See page 9 of the report...it outlines the structural components which would be in a bill. This based on the types of components which were done by other states...

I personally favor 1(a) a broad mandate to the school system to develop a plan which should address 2(a)goals for the system, (b) specific educational objectives (d) teacher performance expectations (g)graduation requirements (h) promotion requirements (i) development of basic skills (j) development of life skills -- check writing, career ed stuff --(l) methods of reporting progress on a school by school basis (r) specific duties of the Board of Education (s) specific duties of Superintendent! In other states, after the Board passed specific objectives of the schools, they have been codified. our Title 31, the laws governing the schools, is much vaguer and looser about what public education is in terms of goals and objectives than other jurisdictions they told me. If you look to the very end of the preliminary report on p. 41 you will see those in the schools with whom they have consulted.

Arn't we asking for too much — actually we want to fo us on graduation requirements/accountabi...ty. Perhaps to throw in everything else on this first round might cause public confusion and petty debate. Why don't we have 2 bills — one focusing on graduation & the other covering other issues (which could be debated for years). Perhaps you have thought of this.

3. Teachers' Salary Act Amendments - Once Again - See Folder
The Mayor has sent over for our considération, another pay raise for teachers which is the same as that passed for Police, Firemen, and GS workers. It has been referred to our committee. What are your thoughts? I think that as long as the city passes out pay riases to every other group, that the teacher's should be in-- cluded. However, the money is only availalbe if the Council adopts a supplemental appropriation for FY 1977. Funds are already included in the FY 1978 budget to cover the costs that year. See folder with correspondence from the Mayor.
I n addition, as I told you before, the Panabm a Canal Zone gets their raises tied to the date of enactment for the District. Even is if this bill were passed tomorrow, they would not be eligible for the retroactive to Oct. 1, 1976 provisions. They have called long distance urging passage, or at least some resolution of the issue. I'm not worried about their operations, but since they called from Panama, I though you should know. Please advise. It should be no problem to report out.

4. Emergency Bill authorizing election for the school Board in Ward VII - Futther comments See folder
I know that you are opposed to this, See folder for correspondence to date and cost analysis (preliminary) from the Board of Elections. I saw Hobbie last night and he indicated that the Board was notso concerned about Virginia Morris as I originally stated; in fact, they would probably not appoint her because she has lost repeated- ly at the polls. However, there are political aspects to appointing someone. If they appoint somewone, it will be the deciding vote on whether or not Therman Evans or Barbara Simmons in president. (For whatever that is worth.) The Board feels that the election in that ward would allow the citizens to make the hard decision. (???)

5. Teachers' Salary Amendments See folder - old one
I will be filing the same bill which has already passed and gone to the hill for Fourth Emergency Enactment. This is proforma to maintain the existing 6% raise until the Congress has completed it review period. This is separate from the newer pay raise discussed above.

Go ahead and report out! I suspect the mayor was just being political!

We still think an election would be too expensive — who would appoint someone to the vacancy? the entire Board vote? We don't think the Council would vote for this expense. Should Julius talk with Hilda Mason about this?

OK

November 12, 1976

Weekly Report

6. Recreation and Youth Employment Projects
This will definitely include San Francisco in the eight cities. Cleo will be getting model legislation from other jurisdictions.
She has been out with a strep throat and ear infection this week.

7. State Fair Resaltion
Nothing new to report. Rhunita has been out most of the week with a bad cold also.

8. Xmas Plans
Sandy would like the week after Xmas off Dec. 27th through the30th. Cleo would like the 23rd and the 27th off for a long weekend at home. David has no specific requests right now. I would like the 29th and 30th off and one day the week before Xmas for last minute running around. Lorraine may well be off that entire time because she has to have minor foot surgery performed and will have to help out Jimmy when he gets out of the hospital. The latest on him is that the polyps in his colon were alreight and he has another ulerous tumor (fibroid) in his stomach that they believe is benign,,, and of course can't be sure. That surgery will take place on Monday so she will be in and out. We will be sure that upstairs is covered.
I guess with everything so up in the air, we will have to wait a week or so before we can definetely decide about how, when, and where for our little Xmas party. Lorraine and I will discuss it next week.

S~~ara~~

OK

OK - see what we can have ready by end of Dec.

OK

Don't feel this is a must, certainly in the extensive way everyone contributed last year. See how Jimmy is.

Pat Miner
November 5, 1976'

Weekly Report

1. Unit Budgeting — from Vinel Reed
a. Letter to principals-before the month is out , it will be disseminated within the public schools' machinery --- it will probably go to all school officers in addition to the principals.
b. Ad Hoc Committee on the Community Workshop for School-Related Information; meeting is definite for the 20th; Sandy can take Julius; I will be there all day. Sponsorship of the meeting will be(so far)by D.C. Citizens, Ward IV Ed. Council, D.C. Federation of Divic Assoc., Two-W Parent Congress, and the Anacostia Community School Baord. Letter and packett of materials to go out next week. Will be included in the weekly report.

2. D.C. State Fair
Rhunita is proceeding per your instructions.

3. Budget
Budget adopted on an emergency basis this past week. It still has to be done as a first and second regular reading. Marion and John Wilson voted against it because there are insufficient revenues to pay for it; it is 6 million below the mayor's request and 13.5 million above the Finance and Revenue Committee's planned revenue package. Sterling has indicated that he will be moving to rectify the discrepancy- may mean more cuts and more taxes.

4. Recreation Department
I have asked Cleo to investigate ~~xxxxxxx~~ recreational services in other states/cities. She is particularly looking at eight cities which are similar in population size to the District. She is inquiring about the amount of budget allocated, staffing patterns, use of facilities, etc. to try to get a picture of how our department compares. I asked her to have completed by the end of December, in the form of a report with recommendations.

5. Youth Employment
Cleo is also doing a study of programs in other cities which are more (?) effective than here, using resources through the League of Cities etc. and the materials which Jonathan Cahn assembled last spring. We do have a fair amount of ~~xxxxx~~ financial resources here through CETA and regular budget for FY 1978 (the Budget Committee put 1 million for youth employment)

we should have resolution ready to introduce (with background statement etc. on this issue) Jan. 1

make sure D.f. is one. Who is she working with? League of Cities? State offices in D.C.? Park/Recreation Associations? Lets discuss.

We may have to do some really creative thinking here — for what we have isn't working.

focus on legislation

What seems to be the problem is the lack of a plan, coordination between agencies, adequate planning and time alloted for working with the actual deployment of youth, assuring adequate supervision, and assuring a meaningful task when actaully employed. She will be looking to see ~~what~~ what has been done elsewhere to address these types of problems. I expect that a report will be ready on that ~~by~~ sometime December also. I hope that this will result in legislation as you outlined for Sandy last week. When David has completed his Statehood assignment ~~that~~, May he work with Cleo on this so that it will be comprehensive and at a point where I can make some legislative recommendation to you?

6. Accountability

Pat McGuire has been unable to meet with Julius for ~~lunch~~ lunch this week due to other class assignments. She will be meeting with me briefly early next week and has agreed to go to lunch late next week with me, herself, Julius, and her advisor Johnnny Barnes. Sandy has scheduled for either Thrusday or Friday. Good- can we have ready by Jan 1?

7. ~~Xmas~~ Xmas Plans

Nothing specific yet - I absolutely promise by next week. Between Lorraine having to run to the hospital, etc. we just haven't gotten this together. ~~And~~ Incidentally, Lorraine had to leave early today - Jimmy has been informed that he will need surgery of the colon - I didn't have the heart to ask if it was cancerous. I will let you know just as soon as I hear something.

8. OYOS Transition

We have gotten a letter of complaint from some employees who had a lapse in pay when they were transferred from OYOS to Rec. There may be other problems. I suggest that at our next committee meeting - which wouldbe Nov. 18th, that we call in Dr. Jones, Dr. Rumsey, and the folks from Manpower, the NPC Chairpersons and have a discussion on how things are proceeding.? Just in the way of routine commttee inquiry as to the orderliness and etc. of the transition. We could ask if there are any rpoblem areas which the committee could be helpful in. Dr. Rumsey call ed me yesterday to complain that he though that Dr. ~~Jones~~ Jones had messed around with some of the positions in the g process and would welcome our inquiry. Please advise.

Pat- we need info. to have legislation ready by January. Again, it would be bettw to invite "constituent" groups to work on this while we provide leadership/information, who are "constituent" groups, interested organizations who can help us. We don't have enough staff or time to rediscover the wheel. Does Dept. of Labor or HEW have any resources/models?

I don't have the heart either! Let me know.

Good idea - what specific (written?) information should we ask them to bring to the meeting?

was thinking perhaps you may want to write a letter to Jimmy Carter congratulating him on his election victory and stating that you hope that his daughter Amy would attend D.C. Public Schools. We don't think so

Pat Miner
October 29, 1976

Weekly Report

1. Unit Budgeting
The Ad Hoc group, working on the city-wide meeting on school-by school budgeting, is definitely having it on November 20th/ It will be sponsored by several groups: Ward IV Ed Council, Two-W, and other they are trying to attract this week. They would like a committment= that Julius will be there - I assured them, that barring emergency, that he would be and give greetings. We are trying also to get Vince Reed to join in the greetings portion of the meeting.

See attached letter which ~~Vince~~ Vince Reed proposes to send to principals; it was sent over on Tuesday for my review. What do you think; I think that it is alright - it's basically a rewrite of ours and covers all bases ---- he also indicates that they will get the resolution etc. Please advise.

2. Tuition Rates
Nothing new to report

3. D.C. State Fair
Don't worry, no one in the city government knows what we are working on. ARhunita contacted a national organization which provides technical assistance to states in devising state fairs. See attached letter. No good. She and Sandy have contacted California, followed up call, Maryland, Virginia, etc. which they haven't heard from yet. Rhunita is going to investigate what work has been done in the Recreation Dept in terms of ~~pageants~~ pagennts, etc. for guidance. What she has found out primarily is that the majority of state fairs are primarily commercial; Maryland and Virginia are not sponsored by the states - they are done by outside groups, interms of organization and funding. Which ?
Please, more direction as to what you want.

4. Budget
Legislative Session, hopefully, on Monday. Although the vote on the budget has been cancelled a few times, they have to face it sometime. I will be ready to advise. The Univeristy budget has been increased by 2 million dollars in the budget committee and the library has been increased by about 200K. Everything else is the same. Jerry Moore stopped me in the

→ You or Sandy should plan to take him to the → meeting — pls. remind him.

Good. How soon will they send ?

Many of the States have State offices in Washington D.C. It should be easy to get info. Also U.S. Governors/State organization. What we want to know — from at least a sample of 5 states (incl. Calif., Md + Va) is: Who sponsors/organizes the annual state fair? How much does the state gov. contribute? How do State/local gov. participate? and we want a copy of their last year's program. This is not a job for the D.C. recreation Dept. - forget it! We want a resolution asking D.C. gov. to investigate the ova

to indicate that he will follow your lead for a school budget mark. He believes that your position is correct that the school's should have a higher priority in the budget. He will probably be vocal about an increase, just as he was last year. The schools' in Polly Shackleton's ward have been pushing her to consider an increase; she may be interested in considering a higher figure.

Two other issues: a community in Ward 3 has been requesting upgrading of a recration department-owned lot for fifteen years - e.g. ~~xingxx~~ swings, a tot lot, a football field, and a baseball diamond, etc. There is no immediately available play area in the neighborhood. High density, lots of elderly who want parkbenches, etc. Polly Shackleton will be making a motion to have $117K included in the capital budget for ground improvement. The Recreation Department supports this project - the only reason it wasn't included is because they sent the documents for including in this year's budget and they were lost (????). There will be matching federal funds to perform the project. There will be no cost for extra staff because it will be fields, etc. Polly asked me to indicate so that if you would, ~~wxxux~~ you could support her motion.

Also, the National Children's Island has been talking to persons about having their primary liaiason in the city government transferred from the Department of Recreation to the Office fro Economic Development. Their reason for wanting this - they primarily look for grants , etc. which is more compatible with economic development rather than straight recreational activity. Please consider whether or not you would support. I have no problems with this approach.

5. Staff -Xmas Etc.
Lorraine's husband is in Providence Hospital with internal bleeding and chest pains; no diagnosis as yet. She's doing alright however.
Don't have staff leave list yet. Everyone has had colds except Sandy so we don't have ourselves too organized this week. Will be available next week.

possibility of a annual 1st class state fair along lines (According to what our research turns up).

OK - but wish they would do more of this outside Ward 3.

→ We will not support — the National Children's Ist. is primarily a recreational activity — they can work with the Office for E.D. (Otherwise we will have another Jimmie Jones type of situation)

Pat Miner October 22, 1976 Weekly Report

1. Unit Budeting
Ad hoc group, which plans to have city-wide workshop, is still working on the plans. The date has been changed from Nov. 6th to approximately Nov. 20th. D.C. Citizens will be involved, but not as the pivotal group. It will be a group effort by several school-related citizen groups - e.g. local school boards, etc. There is a draft letter inviting persons to attend which could come out under your signature which I unfortunately left at home but I will have for review on Tuesday, etc. What they generally plan is this:

a. meeting from 10-3 on a saturday
b. hopefully, greetings by you as chairman of the committee and author of unit budgeting
c. discussion of the concept by Ed Winner and myself
d. discussion of the import in operational terms - by school groups who use modified format already; one person at regional level, one person from a community school, one person from a federal program; one person from the Office of Ed. or such who can explain use in other jurisdictions
e. discussion by the group of the possible uses of information; by citizens asking questions, programs which could use the flexibility which this approach offers
f. discussion of whether or not more community information should be disseminated and encouraged about school operations and budget.

There will be approximaltey 50 to 75 participants who represent established citizen interest groups, who have demonstrated their committment to follwo through and ask questions which are relavant. Hilda Mason and her Ward IV Education Council have become involved, Anacostoia area parents have gotten involved. Will provide more specific details next weekend - whould have draft schedule and further info at that time.

Would be better if the initive came from citizen groups — inviting Julius to attend (i.e. D.C. citizens). We have put the process in motion — up to them to study & use. Perhaps it could be a joint letter from several groups stating Julius will be there, etc.?

this may be sensitive. Via this accountability process we may need regional level less & less.

Good

Good heaven's — lets get this first! Lets see what the value is & what else is needed.

Talked to schools again about their letter. They will have something to us by Tuesday. I did not mail out letters to principal yet, but will send the letter that we receive to you for your review. We can send out ours then.?.

2. Tuition Rates
Committee adopted report unanimously - Must be filed by Nov. 10 for Committee of theWhole on Nov. 15 and will be on agenda of the legislative session on Nov. 23rd. OK

I already knew about this - very poor (commercial)!

3. D.C. State Fair ← NOT CORRECT APPROACH
Rhunita Gray has found out that there is a city celebration which does function somewhat as a fair -- remember you went to it earlier this year on the Southwest waterfront. She will be follwoing up with the Bicentennial office to find out cost, problems, etc. I hope she will have something more substantial to report to us next week.

No! not yet

→ Telephone other states for info (follow up with letters when you find right person) Want a resolution completed asap.

4. Budget
The first reading of the budget will be on Wednesday - there will probably be a discussion on Tuesday in the COW session/if they schedule one(?). So far, they have not cut education, either D.C.PS.or the University; late friday afternoon, the budget committee adopted some accross the board cuts for all other agencies which will hurt the libraries and recreation pretty badly, because they are already cut so heavily in the past few years.

How about Yeldell's PS staff

what can we do?

I will review some of the other agencies stuff, e.g. DHR, police, etc. to see if I see any glaring excesses. It is hard to understand agencies that you don't regularly review, so I can't promise much... however, I will see if I can spot programs like that large expenditure in DHR for public relations which we talked about earlier this week.

Sorry I got so excited about this issue but I already know about SW - very poor imitation of a good state fair but a beginning. If you don't know who to call in states - discuss with me.

Yes - depends on their letter & what enclosures they sent. If you don't have their letter by Wed. (don't call again) send ours out with nice note to Reed "know how busy you are... sure you will want principals informed ... chance to show Council interest in their work. Call & read me draft over phone.

Warning! Do not pursue this! This is not what I mean as "state fair" - we want to follow models (as well as economic support) of Calif., Maryland etc. I do not want anyone to discuss our idea with anyone in DC, at this time (or our idea will be stolen by someone else). The S.W. "fair" was by no means as interesting, extensive etc. as a regular "state" fair. I want to know what Kansas, Calif. Maryland & Va. do - what it costs & who pays

Oct. 26th cont.

5. Xmas vacation

I have tentatively discussed with people what they hope to do around Xmas time. Lorraine's son will be coming in from Minn. before Xmas so that she will probably want a few days off in the first week prior to xmas; Sandy will probably want to go to the country for a few days with Nanette; David does not have any plans currently and indicated that he will be around during Xmas; Cleo has been here 7 months and, although she was sick for awhile, has not had any leave- she would like a few days off to go home to Florida for Xmas- which I think she should have since she has not been off before. I have no particluar plans, although I would probably like a day or so over the holidays also. The counci will be in recess, as I indicated last week, from Dec. 18th to Jan 2 although the last legislative session is earlier than the 18th. Lorraine and I have discussed the possibility of another staff Xmas party which we are willing to coordinate.
We will give you more specific leave proposals when everyone has time to discuss it; the office will be covered every day. (except, maybe xmas eve?)

6. Accountablity
Hopefully, we will have something to look at next week - nothing new to report --- except Spaulding is looking at the same area and I think that we should beat him to the punch -- i'm pretty sure we will however, because he has been talking about discussions of the issue with the communit prior to introduction of any bill.
Maybe we can schedule a luncheon this week coming, Pat has been busy on the bill and other class assignments. I will coordinate with Sandy.

This sounds OK - why don't you give us dates next week. We will be in Alabama visiting Julia's mother.

- this is a great idea. I can still taste the wonderful food from last year! I will bring more champagne and wine

we should introduce asap & re introduce in Jan. if necessary. We must move rapidly in these areas - or we will lose our best ideas.

Good idea - end of week?

Pat Miner
October 15, 1976

Weekly Report

1. Unit Budgeting
Unfortunately, do not have Reed's letter yet. I was busy with budget stuff that I didn't get to it in time. Will be taken care of bymiddle of next week.

OK

2. Tuition Rates
The tuition rates which are to be approved in the report which Cleo completed - are for non-residents, not for special education. I have not seen the tuition rate study which Julius did.... Can I get a copy early next week? I would like a Committee meeting on the non-resident tuition issue next week so that the Committee can ask its questions. These rates are for the cost of education for each level of instruction which are charged to non-residents of the district who attend the public schools -- e.g. children from P.G. county, South Carolina, etcl who live with aunts, gr ndmothers who are in D.C. I have requested the other information about special education tuition allocations.

OK

sorry I didn't read carefully!

3. Budget FY 1978
The Committee of the Whole on Monday will hear, according to Budget Committee staff, the Budget Committee's tentative marks on the city's budget. Because of the revenue shortfall which has been discussed, they will be trying to cut the entire budget. At that time, there will theoretically be no discussion of the substantive comittee's marks/funding levels.
What I anticipate will happen at that time, is that the Budget committee will be presenting funding levels similar to those which they discussed in the Meeting on Thursday. That would mean an increase (small) for the libraries and ~~xxxxxxxx~~ recreation; and a one million dollar reduction for the university (from 40 million to 39 million) , and some reduction for the public schools:

ERYA Committee - 222,062,000 ---- also the Mayor's mark
Budget commttee staff - 206,+ million
Marion Barry has been talking about 206 + 7.1 million for Teachers' Retirement Fund = 213 million
School Board members have heard a rumor about 215 million.'

Any reduction below the Mayor's funding level will be a further decrease

does Julius need any "talking points" on this.

what is happening to all retirement funds? Do we need a resolution here? What does Julius need to know.

in staffing and program operations - especially witho ut some plan by the Boar d of Education to restructure themselves in a rational manner. This level of reduction (from 222 million to about 215 million)means about 450 additional teacher reductions. The overall effect of this funding level would mean up to 1,000 teacher/staff reduction. I can't be specific because the Board retains line-item authority, therefore, at some later date they would propose the actual financial plan for operating at x budget.
All schedules for the budget discussion after Monday are tentative and not verified by anyone. At some point, we will be called upon to present, I think, the Commttee's funding recommendations.

— Be sure Julius is carefully briefed on this with maximum advance warning.

4. D.C. State Fair
As Sandy has indicated, Rhunita Gray will be working with him on this topic. (antioch paralegal intern)

5. Accountability bill
Altho the tentative date proposed in the outline for a draft bill was Oct. 22, the Georgetown intern talked with me today and said that it will take at least one additional week before she has a draft.

ok — do you & she want to join Julius at Bassins on day for lunch — so she can meet Julius.

6. Deadline for Commttee reports
The latest schedule for council meetings, etc. indicates that the last work session of the Committee of the Whole will be November 22nd. The net effect of this is that any action for the last portion of the year must be completed by November 17th, for filing for the work session. We have only the issue of the Tuition rates still pending before us. The Council will adjourn December 18 until January 2. All bill s not disposed of prior to that time, will have to be ready for introduction in the new session of the Council. See attached calendat of the Council.

} ok.

Please pardon my typing; I lost my selectric and inherited an old clunker.

Pat Miner
Sandy Brown

October 8th, 1976

Weekly Report

1. Unit Budgeting
Nothing new to report. Still have not received copy of alleged letter sent by Vince Reed. I have not had time to get out the other letter of ours; should be able to be accomplished this week.

Don't send out our letter until you see copy of Reed's letter. Tell Reed that if you don't get copy, Hobson letter will be mailed next Monday - OK?

2. Tuition rates
See attached folder on Tuition Rates, which Cleo developed, based on my report last year. I consider it sufficient for committee report and propose to have a meeting on Wednesday, so that it can be reported out and put on the agenda of the next legislative session. Okay? The proper persons from the D.C. Schools will be at the meeting to answer any and all questions.

Did you ever see the Tuition Rate study Julius did? I still think we are not getting at the real issues which we must discuss some time! How about the chart I proposed last week... can't we ask the School District to give us information.

3. Family Sex Education
Upon checking with the Planned Parenthood Group, they have already gotten more publicity than they thought. Therefore, a letter from us to the schools is a nice gesture, but not necessary. I will have a draft of one this week coming. The Recreation Department has already distributed notices about the Hot-line. If no to the resolution method, there is not much else at this time.

OK

4. Board of Education vs. Mayor
Court date for initial hearing is Tuesday Oct. 12th.

5. Budget FY 1978 Typing pool didn't have it Friday & told me Sat. ~~As per your request, the reports are all filed with the Secretary.~~ Your minority report is here for your review; it is based, primarily, with an introductory statement on the analysis which I previously did. The recommendations which the Committee adopted are deleted, and included in the Committee report. We are scheduled to appear before the Budget Committee on the Committee's funding level recommendations on Tuesday, at 2:00 P.M. Your minority report will be ready for you to file with the Budget committee members and distribute to other Councilmembers at that time. Should be fairly routine since we accepted all of the Mayor's recommendations.

Many thanks

6. Ornando Letelier Memorial Resolution

A copy of your resolution is inclosed in the folder marked Orlando Letelier. Also in the folder is a press release and resolution introduced by Nadine Winter on Sept. 28 condemning the terrorist bombing death of Mr. Letelier which is also on the agenda for Tuesday's legislative session for consideration.

— We like the resolution — go ahead and introduce!

Sandy and Pat — At this time (assuming the major part of the budget battle is over — we would like Dave to continue with Police surveillance, statehood, smoking and helping Pat with Committee assignments. Sandy should ask Dave for his Sunday report note book list of unfinished projects and pick up on everything else — particularly the environmental and energy issues. As a first item (before someone else does it) Sandy should draft a resolution asking the Executive Branch to investigate with the Smithsonian Institution the possibility of using the physical site/buildings of the annual folk life festival for an annual 4-5 day D.C. "State" fair. This "state" fair would provide an opportunity for D.C. residents to demonstrate their talent etc. and would be patterned along the lines of other "State" fairs - not just for commercial peddlers. We can discuss. We ought to develop a little background statement on this referring to how other "State" fairs are conducted - California, Maryland and? We can discuss. Dave should submit a seperate report each week on what he has accomplished - also Sandy.

4. Family Sex Education

We have been on the mailing list of the Sex Education Coalition since I have been here and I went to one of their monthly meetings about a year ago. They are a group of persons who actually are responsibile for sex education programs in the local school systems (metropolitan wide) as well as Planned Parenthood, and Preterm who meet regularly to trade educational materials and ideas on sex ed. D.C. Schools has representatives who attend.

The Planned Parenthood and PreTerm are sponsoring a month to focus on Family Sex Education which is part of a national effort -- in D.C. there will be a hotline for one month with sex education information. They have contacted us for possible assistance in publicizing it and so forth. I thought that we might possibly want to intorduce one of those honorary resoltuions and thereby help publicize it. I think that it is a worthwhile honorary resolution . I have attached a draft resolution (not in final form) and a brief background statement which could go to all councilmembers. (Cleo drafted it for me) I think that the background statemment should be a little longer, but what do you think of the idea? National Sex Education Week is in the middle of the month and this resoltuion could come up at the legislative meeting at that time if you approve. Please advise.

5. Board of Education vs. Mayor

As you have heard, the Board won a temporary injunciton against the Mayor to prohibit him from confiscating their left-over FY 1976 funds for general city use (these were funds saved from the freeze). They go to court to hear the entire case I believe on Oct. 12.

The Board of Education has meanwhile adopted their financial plan for FY 1977, based on the figure approved by the Congress.... it has over the number of positions approved by Congress and it deletes funds provided for the Teachers' Retirement Fund. I have no idea what the Mayor's Reaction will be. They have also deleted fun ds for summer school next summer. See attached documents on these two matters.

Find out another alternative which would be helpful

Pat Miner
Sandy Brown
October 1, 1976

Weekly Review

1. Unit Budgeting
As I mentioned last week, Vince Reed stated that he would send out the letter to the principals. If I don't have a copy by monday, and some indication that he sent out attachments of the resolution to the principals, we are ready to send out the letter which we had previously drafted An ad hoc group, composed of representatives of Anacostia schools, Ward IV Education Council, Two-W, have been meeting to discuss how to dessiminate information about the unit budgeting resolution to active parent and community educational groups. They plan to have a city-wide meeting on November 6th in the Rayburn building from 10 to 3 to discuss the ramificaitions of having school-by-school cost data. I will be speaking to the group, as well as Ed Winner, probably Hilda Mason; D.C. Citizens will be getting involved also. I suggest that we send out the letters to invite persons to the meeting and that Julius give a brief overview to the group on Nov. 6th/ The persons to be invited are Anacostia Community School Board types, Morgan and Adams Community School Board types, a S.W. educational group, a Shaw area group, Ward IV Ed. Council, Two-W, and a Far-Northeast Group.... to assure city-wide representation of persons who are actively interested in education. More about that next week.... letter of invitation will probably have to go out by Oct. 15th or so.

sounds good !

2. Interns
See attached reasearch outline on accountability bill. I am not sure if we left it last week or not.

3. Tuition Rates
Cleo and other intern are working on this. They have been in contact with the appropriate persons in the DC. Schools to get the background data for a report. Hopefully, since it is so routine, a report will be in final form by next weekend for report and referral to the Council by the middle of Oct.

Weekly Review

Pat Miner
Sandy Brown
September 24, 1976

Pat — Julius may want sandy to do a rush Statehood project for him next week, pls. check w/ Julius's

1. Unit Budgeting Superintendent had problems with our approach on letters to principals. Draft letter was hand carried to his office on Monday... several phone calls later, his office called on Friday and indicated that Mr. Reed would contact Julius directly on this issue Monday, Sept. 27th. I talked with Ed Winner and he said that the only reason for the delay was that they (Reed and Winner) had not yet discussed it but that he thought that Reed would have no problem with it. The package will be ready to go as soon as they concur.

— Glad you checked.

2. Teachers; Salary Legislation
completed for now.

— OK

3. OYOS
From what I understand now, Dr. Rumsey has sent a letter to Juliuan Dugas conplaining about Dr. Jones' lackadaisical attitude in transferring the background information to his department on personnel, contracts, etc. for the transfer. It is my understanding that the Mayor's office has put a fire under Jones and that he has held initial briefing with Recreation as a result. Seems to be in fairly good shape now for the transfer.

— OK

4. Interns
See attached draft research outline for accountability bill. Separate file will be set up for future use next weekend. You will note that it projects a draft bill and background statement by Oct. 22. This would allow your review at that time, for possible introduction if you are interested. Intern is devoting a lot of time and effort and I think the product may be one of the better things we can do.

— Good!

5. Tuition Rates for D.C. Public Schools

This resolution has been referred to our committee for action as soon as possible. First, however, the Secretary has to publish in the D.C. Register, prior to Council action. (The resolution has not yet been drafted... just the request for a resolution has been referred.)
This is a routine item which we have done once each year since we've been here. No problems should emerge.
I plan on assigning to Cleo with Antioch interns help.
(Aside thought: the tuition rates are based on the cost of actual services in the schools by types of programs; when expenditures are equalized for Hobson v. Hansen purposes it is based on a general figure; similarly when the schools discuss expenditure per pupil they use an average figure for all types of programs-- e.g. $1500 per pupil- in reality, the cost for elementary instruction is $1171 per pupil, $1989 for vocational education, $971 for high school, $4338 for visually impaired-special ed. etc.... This should have some impact on the actual equalization of costs per pupil and our analysis of school-by-school data)

Not quite clear about this — we will need to discuss

6. Budget

Because we cancelled the public testimony on the budget, a new hearing has been scheduled for Thursday Sept. 30 in Room 503 (Chambers are not available) This means that we should have a mark-up of our committee's recommendations on Friday Octo. 1, clean up of reports over next weekend, and transmittal to the Budget Committee on Oct. 4th. This is later than they requested, but everyone concurs with the necessity to let the public see the documents before they are required to comment. (Original date for our mark-up was 28th or thereabouts.)

Pat and Sandy:

When Julius won the election, I promised him that I would assist with the "administrative" part of the Council work — while he could use his energy for public comment, policy, Council meetings etc. Part of that "administrative"

See attached folders for specific information, on the agencies' budgets, staff recommendations, etc.

Re Council feelings: Marion Barry is disturbed that all budget documents, etc. were not received by all committees at the same time and therefore proposes that we delay the actual 50-day review period accordingly, based on full receipt of the budget. See his position in the General Guidelines FY 1978 folder.
Polly Shackleton was also distressed that the budgets were not available to the public in time for Council hearings. According to the Budget Office (FRIDAY afternoon) copies of the budget have just been received from the printer= and are slated to be delivered to all Libraries tonight and Saturday morning. If I am advised otherwise, I will let you know Monday. (Budgets are to be available in each public library for citizen review) All council-members have received complaints about this.
Dave Clarke - see his memo in folder also - is concenned also about the lack of complete documents.
We have received the majority of the documents - however, we do not have some supplemental books which outline all positions in each agency.
Despite the general unhappiness with the process, no one seems to be making any move to hold up the total process.

See folder on agencies - would you prefer separate folder on each agency?? Draft reports on all agencies will be finished by Wednesday.

What are the dead lines on these? Are these the reports for Doug's Committee.

We need to spend some time together and discuss future planning, reorganize files etc. You and Sandy decide which 5 hours is best for you - some Sat or Sun. During the next 3 weekends work is making sure he is prepared for all meetings. Being "prepared" means having a chance to review strategy, questions or "fact sheets" and/or any thing handed out at the meetings on Sundays or, in an emergency, at least 24 hours before such meeting. We came prepared to work out budget hearing questions last Sun. — no one here! No hearing questions etc. were sent home during week. Your briefing of Julius was inadequate and the questions useless. This is the same thing that happend last year (and a lost opportunity!) Why?

I will call you and Sandy for lunch next week - and I want you to tell me why our instructions (Note Sept. 3 & 10 etc. reports)

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown

Pat Miner September 17, 1976

not attached! I must see this before you mail!

Good Report?

1. Unit Budgeting
We have several requests from other groups for the packet on Unit budgeting materials; I have sent out all which we have received to date.
See attached draft letter to school principals- it is almost verbatim what we already said to the PTA presidents, but I think that it will be sufficient. I think that we should also send cc;s to Superintendent, and Regional Superintendent If you concur, our intern from Antioch, Rhunita Gray, can send out by the end of the week (or so).

Be sure to let Reed know we are sending letter (by phone) and hand deliver his "cc" — also send cc. to Board of Ed members. Ask the Superintendent if he has any problems with this approach — it could be a "joint letter" (or something?)

2. Teachers' Salary Act
Bill 1-271 was passed on final reading (!) Wednesday; the emergency bill was also adopted for the next 90 days, in order to maintain the legislative authority for the salary increase until such time as the permanent legislation becomes law. This will allow the teachers to actually be paid for the pay raise which everyone else in the government has been getting for the last year. The emergency bill will expire on December 7th and I suspect that the Executive branch will require a 4th emergency bill to leave the authorization in place. If the congress recesses without sufficient review time, it will be sometime next year before it becomes law.....As an aside, the D.C. Personnel office called and asked several questions about the bill because the Panama Canal Zone's teachers' salaries are controlled by our legislation (according to D.C. Personnel?) and if our legislation lapses, even if it doesn't affect our teachers' pay, it will cause a reduction in their pay.

Good heavens!

3. OYOS
Bill 1-307 was adopted on final reading Wednesday; an emergency resolution and bill were also approved, at Marion Barry's urging during the legislative session. I must confess, that we should have thought of that ourselves. Anyway now the budgetary reorganization and formal reorganization are both slated to take effect on October 1, 1976.

What was it you should have thought of? You all must constantly be thinking ahead and watching for opportunities to improve education

We can anticipate some problems emerging from the actual transference, because Dr. Jones is dragging his feet in transmitting the records to the agencies. During the budget forum with the Recreation Dept., Dr. Rumsey stated that they had still received nothing from Dr. Jones, and the transfer date is only 2 weeks away. Similar conplaints have been received from the Federal City College folks about the D.C. Street Academy which has been transferred to them; they have had cooperation from the program director however.

4. Referendum on Curfew
Much ado about nothing. I'm glad that we stuck to our ground. Ed Webb was involved because Willie asked him for assistance, that's all; not dissimilarly from how he gets involved when we ask his advice or assistance. The referendum method can be used by us for any issue that we wish; it merely requires that we draft a resolution on any topic and include a question for the ballot. It's really too late for November ballot now. The Board of Elections indicated to us this week that it would take 45 days lead time before it could be put on the ballot. If a referendum had been given on any topic on the Nov. ballot = it would have cost an additional $15,000. We might want to use this technique in the future; it's too bad we didn't realize that we could've prior to the election this time.

5. Interns
The intern from Antioch Law School is a paralegal intern; she had taken one year of classes and will be with us full time until February 1st, or until she finds full time employment elsewhere. (Ms. Rhunita Gray)
The Georgetown intern is working on her accountability project. I should have a draft of what she has done so far next Friday. (Ms. Pat McGuire)

youth area thru our actions. You should be developing a list of ideas we can develop Nov. & Dec. & prepare to introduce in Jan.

Is there anything we can do? Write letter to Washington?

This is the sort of thing we ought to learn in advance. You need to have your eyes & ears open to pick up ideas before it becomes "too late". You should bring these ideas to Julius on Sunday reports.

You will note on your report that I asked you to find out about this on Aug. 27 — which would have given us time to do something within the 45 day lead time. That is why it is so important for staff to follow up immediately when questions are raised. Another ball dropped!

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown
Pat Miner Sept. 17, 1976

6. FY 1978 Budget
Budget forums this week were fairly informative (Rec. and DCPS) We received the budget Thursday PM, so Sandy and I have not really finaished formulating our questions. I have several questions ready for Libraries, and should have other available pronto next week. I can come in for one or so hours iwth you Sunday. I'll be coming around 2;00 for awhile. If you are substantially earlier or later, we will probably miss each other. I can perhaps arrange to send home on Monday for editing although time is short.

Public Hearings this week - Wednesday 22, 1976 and Thursday 23,

Wed. 10:00 AM Dept. of Recreation
11:00 AM OYOS/Office of Youth Advocac
lunch between... 2: 00 PM University of the D. of C.

Thurs. 10:00 AM Public Library
10:45 - 11:00 AM D.C. PUblic Schools
lunch between.... 2:00 P.M. Citizens

Capsulized: D.C. PS budget is $222,000,000+ from the Mayor; as opposed to $255,000,000+ from the Board of Education It is not as far apart as it would seem because the Mayor assumes responsibility for FY 78 and FY 77 pay raises which are included in the Board's figures and not in the Mayors (he includes them in a lump sum for the entire city) This presents other issues, which see details on in the next section of weekly review.

Recreation budget is approximately $160,000 less that it was in FY 1977. I haven't had time to analyze the particulars.

Library budget, as mentioned last week,is $100,000 less than FY 1977. These two cuts are fairly large since this requires these two agencies to absorb within grade increases in a declining budget.

We came at 2:00 p.m. Essential we go over questions and strategy of questions — Dan area very poorly done last year. We can do by phone if necessary! Feel free to call us at home with time you will be in. I know it is an imposition but essential at budget time — and we appreciate

Sandy Brown
Pat Miner Sept. 17 cont.

University of D.C. budget is $1,000,000 or so greater than last year. This year the budget lumps federal city, WTI, and DCTC as subportions on one budget. In addition, the capital outlay budget for the University includes $56,000,000 for the building of the Mount VErnon Square campus for FCC/DCTC.

Budget for Office of Youth Opportunity Services/Office of Youth Advocacy (interestingly enough, the budget book uses both names in the justifications and recognizes the reorganization!) is $30,000 greater than last year, after the reorganization took place. This is for extra clerical help, etc. In all the budgets for our agencies look this way from the Mayor:

Office of Youth Opprtunity Services	$255,900
Univeristy of the District of Col	$40,403,100
D.C. Public Schools	$222,062,000
Public Library	$8,323,300
Department of Recreation	$17,500,100
Total Mayor's request	--$288,544,400

The Budget Committee sent out a memo which gives a "mark" for our committee or $280,618,300. How this was derived I do not know. See attached. ?

7. Board of Ed V. Mayor

Several months ago the legal counsel of the Board sent a letter to the Corp. Counsel requesting an opinion of that office, whether or not the Mayor had the right to impose a freeze,delay or refuse to perform certain personnel and payroll transactions for the schools. Rishers' opinion was released Thursday. See Attached - both Splitt and Risher letters. The Corp Counsel has taken a very narrow view of what the powers are of the Board of Ed. in financial matters and there is some import in terms of the budget. He states that the Council, Mayor and Baord have to negotiate the final mark for schools, and that after the fact, it is the perogative of the Mayor to further reduce (i.e. freese if necessary for the city. Major hassle may erupt from this.

The Board of Education had originally threatened to sue the Mayor about the freeze; Risher talked their lawyer out of doing so until he rendered an opinion. Since his opinion is so opposed to their point of view, They may still be of the mind to go to court. This will of course provide fuel to the Council in its endeavors to reduce the school's budget. Similar issue may also emerge with regard to Trustees of the University.

Good summary

Weekly Review

Pa t Miner
Sandy Brown

September 10, 1976

very good thorough report — you left out dating on spelling test!

1. Unit Budgeting
Letters gone out to PTA Presidents. Will have draft letter to school principals ready during the week. I checked with Reed's office and no notification has been given to employees; therefore, we will prepare mail out for principals.
The first report is due now, however it is not done and Is according to my information a few months down the road. The demand which we have created will add fuel to the fire. Should I draft a letter to the Mayor requesting his status report on the issue. According to the resolution, he is scheduled to report to the Council now on the progress towards implementing the resolution. (Thirty days from the adoption of the resolution is August 30)

Great

good idea!

2. Teachers' Salary Act Legislation
Emergency resolution and bill have been filed and are on the agenda for the session on Wednesday night (Sept. 15). Ed webb has reveiwed them for sufficiency, even though they are nearly identical with the resolution and bills earlier enacted.
The permanent legislation is on the agenda for final reading on Wednesday night also. Briefing sheets which we did before will be available for Julius' review and I will brief prior to the meeting. No problems.

fine

3. OYOS
Final reading of this bill is on the agenda for Wednesday. Briefing sheet will be made available, as well as discussion of issues prior to meeting. This issue is still hot - the Neighborhood Planning Councils have not yet given up their crusade. Dave Clarke and Polly Shackleton and John Wilson have received the most pressure to back down on their earlier positions of support; the net effect seems to be solidifying their support for us -- they feel that the pressure pointsup the problems which the bill addresses. The Latin community has sent a letter to Dave Clarke asking him to request/move amend-

Interesting — I hope we can worked out

ments to the bill to force the Recreation Department to establish the Latin American Youth Center to administer youth programs targeted at Hispanic residents. ; one other amendment would ~~xequixxe~~ add an addtional purpose to the bill: "to promote and support programs for Spanish-speaking youth in existing D.C. Agencies"=See letter in folder to Dave Clarke. He wants to know if you have any substantive objections to his moving those particular amendments and what they might be.
My opinion is that the addition to the purposes of the bill would not be a bad change; It would establish the Latin American Youth Center within the division of community based programs whichthe bill creates within the Department o f Recreation.
What should I tell Dave?

4. Budget FY 1978
Budget forum held on Thursday with Public Library and the NEW (?) Office of Youth _____ The Library has been cut by the Mayor $100,000+ from their FY 1977 level; library hours in the branches will be reduced at least 7 hours per week if not more. See Attached summary of the meeting following this report. The OYOS folks were far less informative and generally subdued in their discussion. Their budget will go up $30,000 from FY 1977 (We had left them ~~xixxxx~~ about $200,000 and 8 staff positions - the Mayor's FY 1978 mark gives them 2 additional staff and $30,000 to pay for payraises and the two extra positions).
Next Sunday,will have developed budget folders on each of the agencies and questions for each of the agencies. The hearings will be held the following week (Sept. 22 and 23).

5. Curfew Referendum
Ed Webb wants us to have a meeting and report out the resoltuion which Willie introduced. He says that it is legal as we pointed out, but only of an advisory nature. He will talk with ~~x~~ you about it next week. I told him that we were busy getting ready fo:

→ Good — we should discuss questions together Pat — any chance that you / Judy could come in for us in here before Sun?

What happened? How does Fire relate to other Bud cuts proposed? Attached ex.?

the budget and that I had done no work on it yet. He will talk to you.

6. Interns = Projects

Antioch Law School is giving us an almost full time paralegal intern, black, female, bright, skills are moderate. She is very interested in education and anxious to work with us. We can find things to keep her busy, As well as some preliminary work on somexxxk of the bills which we will have to report out after the budget is over.
Georgetown Unv. D.C. Law Project had approached us during the summer about placing an intern with us last summer. You discussed it with Bob Stumberg of Jason Newman's staff in July. Their contact person will be Johnny Barnes who is very sharp; the intern which they had placed with us, Pat McGuire is a young white female and very interested in educational law. I had tentatively discussed having her develop an accountability bill (like Oregon's), a background statement, ready for introduction within 1 and ½ months and report for committee by November so that it could be out of committee before the end of the session. (I met her for the first time today) (Although I had discussed it with the Law Project persons before). Shall I approach them and find out if they have a black student who is interested or should I let it drop for now? (Get outline they submitted) There is a possibility that I can get an intern (undergraduate and black) prom a friend of mine who teaches a community services course/practicum; he says I can hand pick a student.

7. Reprogramming Problem
In late June the committee reported out a reprogramming for the Schools which the council subsequently adopted. At that time, it was agreed that the Mayor would make other adjustments during the transition quarter, which have not happened. See letter following from the Board of Ed. I will draft a letter on Monday which can go out asking the status of affairs.

Isn't this a choice that Julius makes — not Ed Webb? Why does he want this resolution pushed? Curious?

OK — if she will be of real help with you.

This is good idea — follow up. The project should be done asap

OK

Weekly Review

Please don't leave files in Julia's office during week.

Pat Miner
Sandy Brown
Cleo Jollivette

September 3, 1976

Pat - call me asap re Reed & Bedstemi letters

1. Unit Budgeting

Materials have come back from printers - see folder. Envelopes addressed for both unit budgeting and constituent newsletter to PTA presidents. See final letter drafts - please pick one or reedit. If changes must be made in the letter, it can be sent home for approval Tuesday evening. Will be duplicated on Council stationary. I think that the package should go to a few others, in order to send it to school principals seemed like an awful lot of extra copies. If you want, I can have more copies made before the end of this coming week and sent out prior to Friday. Please advise.

Your revised letter looks good - retype (proof carefully) + mail asap. You don't need another review.

→ why don't you find out if V. Reed has sent anything to teachers on this topic? If he has sent nothing - then we should send with a different cover letter (supporting Reed, etc.).

2. Teachers Salary Legislation

Final reading of the permanent legislation will occurr at the September 15th session. However, in the interim, once again, there needs to be put in place an emergency bill to cover the period of time lapse between the existing emergency bill and the final law - The current emergency bill expires Sept, 10 and in order to pay the teachers prior to January 1977, we need this -- this was corporation counsel's decision. See folder for draft bill and emergency resolution - almost exact wording of previous emergency bills and permanent legislation - only changes are in the dates, etc. Ed Webb will be back next week and will review for filing for the agenda of the 15th.

— OK. Make sure Julia is well briefed

3. OYOS

Final reading of that bill is scheduled for September 15th also. We will probably be getting an amendment from the Latino community asking that Neighborhood Planning Councils address the needs of the Latino community. (rumour mill) See folder for copy of the GAO report. All councilmembers have received a copy through Sen Chiles'office. Several people commented today about how nice the timeing was for the release of the report by GAO. See folder. "Actual" reorganization takes place

— Make sure Julia is well briefed

Weekly Review

Pat Miner
Sandy Brown

September 3, 1976 cont.

We all need to work together one half day to streamline files / sunday reports. Next Saturday? Sunday? Walt should be here also.

.4. Budget -FY 1978

September is here and with it the budget - See folder on FY 1978 budget process. Sterling has sent a memorandum outlining the process for the next month and a half. We are scheduled to have informal discussion sessions on Wednesday afternoon and Thursday with the staff of the various agencies. (Sept. 8 &9) All committee will be having informal budget forums next week - ostensibly to get a fix on the lines of questioning to be pursued in the formal hearings later in the month and to get preliminary information set up earlier. Our tentative dates for the formal public hearings on the budget are September 22 and 23. Reports will be due soon after that.
The Board of Education has approved $255,605,500 as their budget mark - I still don't know what the Mayor has chosen as his funding level. That figure represents an approximate $47,000,000 increase over the 207 million approved last year. The board of education will be having its own hearings on the budget this year - see attached public hearing notice. Will advise more next week. There will be a briefing prior to the meeting on Wednesday /Thursday.

— We need draft of questions we want to send to school system. Please draft — particularly along lines of unit budgeting info.

5. Parental Responsibility - Curfew Referendem
Based on your instructions last week, we will hold off any further action on the curfew resolution and parental responsibility bill until some future date - probably never! Ed Webb has been away, along with most of the rest of the lawyers around here, so there is no guidance on whether or not an advisory referendum is even possible. As soon as I find out, I will inform you - if may be a handy thing to know for other issues.

— Make a point to find out and let us know next Sunday. Did you discuss with Dave — please do?

CORRECTION - advisory referendum mechanism is in the Charter. See Section 412(b) as marked. This is not a binding referendum, and only for the advice of the Council, as it may so choose.

INACTIVE FOLDERS FOR THIS WEEK ARE OVER ON CAMEZA BY WATER PITCHER

ACTION SHEET

Special Meeting - Board of Education
Board Room - Presidential Building

August 10, 1976 - 7:30 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ANNOUNCEMENT OF A QUORUM (eight members present - Mrs. Benjamin was present in the room) Mrs. Schwartz and Mr. Warren were absent.

III. REPORT OF THE SCHOOL FINANCE COMMITTEE ON THE FY '78 D. C. PUBLIC SCHOOLS' BUDGET

Recommendations of the Committee were adopted as follows:

1. That the Board request the General Counsel to seek an exemption of legislation necessary to implement the major recommendation of the Anderson Report -- that the D. C. Public Schools Fiscal Year run July 1 to June 30.

2. That the Board approve a budget of $255,606,500 to send to the Mayor as the D. C. Board of Education's FY 1978 Operating Budget.

3. That the Board request a public briefing on the Teacher Retirement Fund from OBM, date to be set by the Executive Secretary.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADDENDUM (Per Request of the Superintendent)

1. Report of the Proposed Boundaries for Eastern, Woodson, and Spingarn High Schools was adopted with direction changes as listed on the attached copy of "Official Report Transcript of Proceedings."

V. ADJOURNMENT

1. On the first page "Spingarn Senior High School, Sheriff Road 'from'". Scratch out "to" and make that "Sheriff Road from Eastern Avenue, west on Sheriff Road to 49th Street (both sides), 'south.'" Take out "east". . . . . Street to C Street, west on C Street to Benning Road, west on Benning Road to Florida Avenue, S. E. west on Florida Avenue to Trinidad Avenue, north on Trinidad Avenue to Mt. Olivet Road, imaginary line north through Mt. Olivet cemetery to Penn railroad tracks, "northeast" (not northwest) along railroad tracks to Eastern Avenue, "southeast" on Eastern Avenue to Sheriff Road (not east).

2. On the Eastern Senior High School, there is only one direction change and that is in the last line where it says, "north" it should be "northeast on Southern Avenue . . . ."

3. On the Woodson Senior High School, "Sheriff Road at the District Line (Eastern Avenue), east. It should be " . . . . southeast on Eastern Avenue to Southern Avenue, southwest (not south) on Southern Avenue to Central Avenue, west on Central Avenue to 49th Street, north (not west) on 49th Street to Sheriff Road, east (not north) on Sheriff Road to Eastern Avenue."

MR. FEATHERSTONE: I will second it Mr. Chairman.

CHRMN EVANS: It has been seconded by Mr. Featherstone. Is there discussion?

(SEVERAL MEMBERS RAISE THEIR HANDS)

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August 25, 1976

!! PUBLIC NOTICE !!

The District of Columbia Board of Education has scheduled four public hearings on the Fiscal Year 1978 Public Schools Operating Budget. The Board of Education has set a minimal FY 1978 Budget level of $255.6 million; this level will only allow continuation of current program levels, with $3.8 million for mandated expansion in Special Education programs. The Mayor's preliminary mark for the D. C. Public Schools in FY 1978 is $215 million.

The four hearings are scheduled as follows:

Thursday, September 16, 1976 - 7:30 p.m.
Woodridge Elementary School - Carlton & Central Avenues, N. E.

Monday, September 20, 1976 - 7:30 p.m.
Winston Educational Center - 31st & Erie Sts., S. E.

Tuesday, September 21, 1976 - 7:30 p.m.
Patterson Elementary School - S. Capitol & Elmira Sts., S. W.

Thursday, September 23, 1976 - 7:30 p.m.
Adams Elementary School - 19th & California Sts., N. W.

Copies of budget materials are available for review in local schools, public library branches, and in the Board Office, Suite 1205, Presidential Building, 415 12th Street, N. W. Persons desiring to speak on this matter should contact the Board Office on 724-4289 and indicate the meeting at which they wish to speak.

Dwight S. Cropp
Executive Secretary
Board of Education

Files are still poorly organized. Don't put files referred to on one side of the desk & on the other inactive files.

Pls. get a legal notebook with dividers by next Sunday. Also could someone get the proper lampshade for Julius desk.

Pat Mimer
Cleo Jollivette
August 27, 1976

Weekly Review

1. CURFEW REFERENDUM

Willie's resolution which is assigned to our Committee calls for a referendum (advisory) on whether or not the citizens want a curfew during the week for those under 18 years of age. (See folder)
We should honor her desire to approve this for two reasons: 1. because of the initiative and referendum bill which indicates a commitment to allowing the citizens to state their wishes 2. because she is holding a hearing on (our bill) in early September. If we report out with a brief report in the beginning of September, perhaps it can get on the November ballot; if not, we will have tried. The only thing necessary to point out in the report will be the fiscal impact of a referendum.

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this is terribly confusing — a referendum (according to Julius resolution) is to change an existing law/ ~~initiative~~ resolution of the Council — an initiative is to introduce a request for new legislation, etc. We are not going to horse-trade on this. Send the resolution to Webb for a statement of legal sufficiency before any other action is taken. We will take the next step after we determine the legal sufficiency. If this channel is O.K. — why haven't we prepared resolutions (statehood, etc.) for the ballot??

2. OYOS

Nothing seems to be happening right now. There have been a few complaints that Dr. Jones is arbitrarily ending summer programs early. Based on the GAO study though, he will probably be quiet for awhile. I have called Lawton Chiles office to get a copy of the study, and it will be on the desk as soon as possible.

When will the actual reorganization take place?

3. UNIT BUDGETING

Copies will be going out as soon as everything is duplicated. See folder for ~~letter~~ to PTA's (~~approved by Julius on 8/26~~) and accompanying package.

please retype

Everything else OK.

Where is the cleaned up copy of the newsletter to be sent to P.T.A. Presidents?

Should this go to others? Principals as cc?

4. ARCHITECTUAL BARRIERS ACT

See notebook for Executive comments on this bill. Ms. Winter feels that they should go ahead with the bill as written because most of the changes in her opinion are philosophical in nature. She would like to have Julius'

can't find the file

comments though, and be certain that he and all other interested parties are completely satisfied with the legislation as it stands to help insure that enough votes can be mustered in the event the Mayor vetoes.

5. JULIUS' QUESTIONNAIRE

To date thirty have been returned with responses. There seems to be a good cross-section of answers thus far. See folder.

6. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS

See notebook for letter from Civil Service Commission concerning requested info on Tina. They will send material by certified mail asap.

7. RAT CONTROL MEETING WITH OLKOWSKI'S

The conference this morning with Mr. Chuck Reese of EPA and Dr. & Mrs. Olkowski went very well. Basically, they are looking for someone from Metropolitan Washington Area who is well known to public to spearhead their campaign against pest control. They have had success in the San Francisco Bay area, and would now like to branch out into other ecosystems and urban areas to better demonstrate the success of the project. They chose D.C. because it is a high "visibility" city being Nation's Capital, etc. to hopefully serve as a pilot area and national proving ground. Their program calls for civic involvement from all segments of community, with concentrated effort in the local school system. Their approach centers around a massive public education of the community, and deals with many preventive measures, which will cutback greatly on the cost of pesticides. The Olkowski's would like to see a joint effort by all concerned groups in the city to help in the development

— Have you contacted "all other interested parties" to see if they are satisfied. If they are satisfied then report this to Julius. Be sure to ask them to review material -- with deadline soon enough to assure passage this year. Lets not get behind on this one.

— follow up to see if they have file on Julius? Did we send letter of request

Good Report — Bill Holmberg is our contact at EPA 941-2425 unless he suggests we deal with some one else.

of this program. At present, they expect that EPA will take the lead in getting this program off the ground here. However, for their urban pest management to really work there must be a commitment for the city to give full support For the type of program that they envision, D.C. will serve as a research model and catalyst for other cities around the country, and eventually on a global basis. They see their greatest opposition coming from those who feel that many jobs will be lost to this new program. The Olkowski's are certain however that many more jobs will be created as a result of their plan. They admit that there are some vested interests which must be identified, and the competitive advantage will probably shift from one group to another As ground work for this operation, they are thinking in terms of a storefront arrangement or possibly a hotline, just to get people acquainted with what they are all about. They seem very idealistic, but their program sounds good. I think that this is something for Julius to definitely get involved in. They are anxiously awaiting a call from Julius to hear his feelings on the matter. They will be leaving town this Sunday. Their contact in D.C. will be ~~Chuck Reese~~ Bill Holmberg of EPA. See materials in notebook.

8. PRESS RELEASE

See notebook for press release issued by Willie under Julius name today. Her office said that she spoke with Julius for wording prior to issuing it.

OK

David Smith
Sandy Brown
Cleo Jollivette
August 20, 1976

Weekly Review

Please get a [redacted] legal size notebook for your reports

1. Curfew Referendum

Willie's curfew resolution has been reassigned to our Committee, and she wants it reported out early in the fall to be on November ballot. Please advise.

— what are the pros & cons?

2. OYOS

Julius received a copy of letter from Audrey Rowe-Colom to Mayor concerning Jimmy Jones complaints of the Juvenile Justice Advisory Group (See folder). Ms. Colom and Bill Treanor have been in telephone contact with Pat, and expressed great concern over this situation. Please advise. ok now

— What is the issue? Always please include summary in your report -- I'm in addition to "folder".

I have been advised today that John Risher (Cop. Counsel) officially told Dr. Jones that the group was within their rights

3. Unit Budgeting

Final draft letter and accompanying package to PTA's are in folder for your approval.

4. Energy Advisory Commission Resolution

In the folder is a draft memo to Sterling Tucker requesting that the Energy Advisory Commission Resolution be transferred from the Committee on Government Operations to the Budget Committee as discussed in the previous weekly report.

Have cleared this with both committees.

5. Resource Recovery

Have spoken with Hugh and sent him a copy of Bill 1-239 concerning the closing of Incinerator #5 and the accompanying report.

Weekly Review

David Smith
Cleo Jollivette
Sandy Brown
August 20, 1976

6. Newsletter

In the folder is a copy of the newsletter that was sent out to constituents this past week. We sent out over 800 letters to constituents, educational contacts, environmental groups, statehood people etc. etc. so far.
Cost

Printing & reproduction	$136.92	for 1,000 copies of "Record of of Council Activity
Postage (3rd class)	112.00	for 800 13¢ stamps 800 1¢ stamps
Total	$248.92	

I took the liberty of paying for the printing and postage (I did not get your note until Tuesday 8/17) The check for $70.00 made out to Lorraine is in the folder. I will be on vacation this comming week and will settle with you the week after.

? When ?

7. Freedom of Information Act Requests

The file folder that accompanies this report contains the FBI identification record that Julius requested two weeks ago. This is the record that Julius had to submit the finger prints for. In addition, I have also included the Civil Service Commission response for Tina's records. Please advise.

8. Non- Criminal Police surveillance Act

Enclosed is the official opinion of the ACLU regarding our bill. They commend the intentions of the bill but strongly recommend that it not be passed for the reasons stated in the letter. As I had mentioned several weeks ago, the ACLU (Ralph Temple) in coordination with Willy Hardy drafted a more encompassing bill for introduction. It was introduced by Julius and Willy two weeks ago (it's in one of the folders).

— you are great! Thanks so much. Julius will give you check! Looks great. Does our mailing list include all PTA Presidents — which I asked last week become a part of "constituent" lists. Didn't we include and addressed "unstapled" envelope for returning the questionnaire as we did last year?

What on earth is the FBI Identification Record. Any cover letter? Pls call & discuss these with me. Be sure & send copies to woman at ACLU — ~~test~~ lets make sure we are on same wave length. We must follow up! Particularly with CSC — ask!

Ralph recommended and all parties concured that we let Julius's bill [illegible] die in committee and place all our support behind the one itroduced (co-sponsored by Julius) two weeks ago.

9. U.S. Government Accounting Office Survey

I have enclosed a GAO survey that strongly criticizes D.C. Public Scool pay roll cash management (pay check errors). It is self-explanatory. Should we follow up in any way eventually?

10. Western High School

I have enclosed a newspaper article that discusses the unfortunate predicament of the valedictorian of Western High School being so ill-equiped for college that he was denied admission at G.W. even after taking special tests. Combined with the latest information on District test scores and how they rank nationally, one has to wonder if we are not spending enough time evaluating our teachers and using pupil performance as one measure.

11. District Building Ramp

We were not the only ones displeased by the fact that the ramp is in the '78 budget vs. '77. In addition to our own communications to the Mayor's office, Arrington Dixon, as Chairman of the Government Operations Committee, sent a letter to the mayor stating that that timetable was not suitable and that a reprograming of '77 budget funds would be the only acceptable solution. We should wait about a week to get the Mayor's response before we act again. ? Why?

12. Statehood

I am doing research on an on going basis to bolster our side when the time comes in September.

— See if abe Bloom concurs. We gained that 2 weeks ago. What does she think?

— Do you suggest any action? I think we should follow-up — always provide your ideas on what would be appropriate. Right - What do you suggest?

— Have we contacted "constituents" to see that they send appropriate telegrams?

OK. But lets discuss exactly what you think should be done.

13. Smoking
No action-I will work out timetable this week.

14. Initiative and Referendum
Public hearings September 23rd.!!

15. Master Mailing List
Enclosed for your inspection. I have also enclosed an example envelop to show you exactly what we sent out to constituents.

what do we need to do in advance for this:

- who we need to notify "constituents" now?
- who we need to develop really good "background summary"?
- who we need to have meeting of "constituents" with Julius to develop better strategy?

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown
Pat Miner

July 18, 1976

7. Resource Recovery

The package (bill, background statement, and press release) is in the folder on resource recovery and ready to go.

What is your disposition? Will discuss with you on Monday if you desire.

→ Please ~~~~ introduce asap!
Good job & thanks a million.
Be sure to send copies to "constituent groups".

Sandy Brown

Pat Miner July 16, cont.

5. FY 1978 Budget Process

See his summary dated June 27th

As you may recall, Sandy included in his weekly report, several weeks ago, a copy of a paper from STerling Tucker outlining budget issues for FY 1978 and outlining a process for Council action during the next few months. By default he has had the Budget Committee set up tentative meeting times ofor budget forums with each Committee. At these meetings, each Committee is supposed to reveiw the budgets of various program components in each department and gather information on operations, etc. This is to "insure" that each Councilmember understands their piece of the truf -- because I anticipate that ~~ex~~ the Council will be working to drastically curtail city costs. Mayors' estimates are that we need something like $150 million more for just what we are operati- g this year - to maintain similar services in FY 1978

Ergo, the budget committee has established several times for the Education Committee to go over programs. See attached memo from Lynn Scholz detailing dates. I would propose that I contact Libraries and Recreation and ask them to discuss their operations with us on July 22, 1976 and contact public schools and higher Education and ask them to present to us on July 29. There are still other times available during the next two weeks, as we desire... These would be informal meetings. Please advise.

OK

Memo from Tucker and schedule from Scholz are in cluded in folder marked FY 1978 Budget Process..

6. Board of Education's Legislative Package

Georgetwn University's D.C. Project has ~~indi~~ indicated that several clinical students might be revewing the contracts proposal by the Board and would provide us with their analysis. See letter to D.C. Citizens. Louise Malone of D.C. Citizens called late Friday to say they would be in contact; they support the package.

Good

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown
Pat Miner July 16, 1976

urgent

couldn't locate draft press release — could you read to me over phone?

1. Unit Budgeting Vote on the resolution is scheduled for the legislative session on July 20, 1976 - Tuesday. See draft press release and thank you letter to CSC and D.C. Citizens for helping us to develop the format for unit budgeting. I have heard unofficially from the Office of Budget and Management Systems (Mayors) that the official executive reaction will be favorable, although with negative comments about the time-frame proposed for reporting

→ It looks great — delighted for you all — we will need to celebrate together at Conrad's graduation party Thursday the 29th. One minor comment - block type paragraphs when single spaced & strive to make reports shorter. What is the best was to assure that every school principal gets a copy of this report?

retype & duplicate asap so it can be passed out on Monday.

2. OYOS
Oyos reorganization has been filed and approved by the Committee - will be on the agenda of the Committee of the Whole on Monday for discussion. See Fact Sheet. I did not prepare a press release because it is still in committee and the reporters who normally covered this topic have been in New York covering the convention. I will have a press release on this for the approval by the Council at July 27th meeting.

→ Typing looks great! But lets continue to strive for short pointed reports without repitition. How can we now do a "unit budgeting" bill for Dept. of Recreation / Youth? Define a budgeting / reporting system which will tell us what they spend and what we get for the money.

retype & duplicate for council members

3. Teachers' Salary
Teacher;s Salary Bill approved by the committee and filed- will be on the agenda of the Committee of the Whole on Monday for discussion. See Fact Sheet. The technical amendments were all added and approved. See letter to Vin cent Reed and Board of Education outlining the rationale for including these three amendments to the pay raise bill. — OK

4. Schedule

Committee of the Whole, July 19	---	OYOS Reorganization Teachers' Salary
Legislative Session, July 20	---	Unit Budgeting
Legislative Session, July 27	---	OyOS Reorganization Teachers' Salary

Weekly Review

Pat Miner
Sandy Brown July 23, 1976

7. Energy Advisory Commission Resolution (cont'd)

and the report are in the folder on the Energy Advisory Commission) We may wish to consider requesting that Chairman Tucker withdraw the resolution from the Government Operations Committee and refer it to the Budget Committee where it can be considered in conjunction with the Energy Conservation Act. The staff of the Budget Committee indicated that there would be no problem at looking at both pieces of legisation and using the best parts of both. The Budget Committee staff is presently committed to moving on a version of the Energy Conservation Act in September. This could enable you to get credit for introducing energy conservation legislation and seeing an end product result. I think this may be the best way of getting your legislation through the legislative process. Please advise.

How do we go about doing this? Pls. draft proper papers next week - when I will have more time to read bill & consider. Looks like a very good idea — if we need to move fast, lets!

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Pat Miner
Sandy Brown

July 23, 1976

6. Resource Recovery:

The "Resource Recovery Planning Resolution (P.R. 1-240) was introduced on July 20, 1976 and assigned to the Committee on Transportation and Environmental Affairs chaired by Rev. Jerry Moore. Copies of the legislative package were distributed to all Councilmembers., the press and sent out to our environmental contacts on this issue.

Please look at a draft report put out by the Transportation And Environmental Affairs Committee on Bill 1-239 concerning the operation of Incinerator #5. In that bill and report the Committee calls for the Department of Environmental Services (DES) to submit to the Council a comprehensive solid waste management study to look at all solid waste disposal technologies and report back to the Council no later than Dec. 31, 1978. (See pp. 3, 19, 20 and 21 of the report - in the folder.

This would encompass just about every thing we are calling for in P.R. 1-240. It is interesting that this was considered so soon after you introduced the resolution.

7. Energy Advisory Resolution:

Arrington Dixon forwarded a copy of the Corporation Counsel's comments on Resolution P.R. 1-221, the "Energy Advisory Commission Resolution." Apparently the Corporation Counsel believes that the legislation exceeds the powers of the Council normally given to it for resolutions and should be an act. (a copy of the comments is in the folder) believes the resolution &

The Budget Committee is presently considering Bill 1-197, the "Energy Conservation Act (introduced by Jerry Moore). the bill was reported out of Committee last month but was recommitted because of some technical problems. (copy of the bill

Interesting! lets keep watching the energy component — how about "competitive bids" — pls. evaluate. When does that Bill come up in Committee? We need to discuss strategy. How much time do we have.

p. 3 - does this provide for competitive bids? — or will we get in the same old mess?

see p. 20 - the initial study must be by competitive bid - or we return to NCRR!
(we may have to write paper in opposition)

will have to remind them that they have already approved the action in the ~~76~~ 77 budget; to change now will require major reprogramming.

4. FY 1978 Budget
The budget forum which was scheduled for Thursday the 22nd was cancelled because of the Mayor's desire to refrain from Council inquiry at this time. There will, most probably, be no further Council activity on the FY 78 budget until the week after Labor Day. The Mayor and Comer Coppie felt that, with the agencies working to complete their budget submissions for the Exective side, that there was insufficient time for them to spare for Council budget review now. The budget forums will probably occur, beginning the first week in September. We officially receive the budget on the 19th of september.

— Much better idea!

5. Educational Licensure Commission Act
Introduced by Spaulding and referred to his committee, it has been reported out and will come up for vote on Tuesday. This bill consolidates the post-secondary licensing functions which were formally under the Board of Higher Education, Veteran's course approval formally under the Board of Education, licenses for proprietary schools which have been grated by the Department of Economic Development, The executive branch voiced many objections to the bill as initially introduced. D.C. Public School personnel have worked with him on the issue of transferring the VA course benefits out of the Public Schools; the proper Board of Education committee has also approved the proposal which entails transferring the federal funds which pay for an inspector and secretary. The Board is set to vote on this issue later this month. Conceptually the bill is a decent idea; I'm not too sure of the quality of the work which supports the bill. It won't have second reading until September, so any kinks should be able to be worked out... or opposition mustered if need be. See attached report.

Who is for & against?

Pat Miner
Sandy Brown
July 23, 1976

Weekly Report

1. Unit Budgeting I have spoken with Frank Cush who will be meeting with Ed Winner of the Public Schools to try and define the problems with compliance with the resolution. See comments in the folder from the Executive Branch. They are supportive and wish to continue dialogue with the committee for the duration of the process. Their only criticism and problems will be compling on the dates which we have established. Frank Cush will be letting me know soon what dates they think that they can comply by. He understands that the resolution will stand as it is; but he is primarily interested in making sure that it is actually implemented.
It's too bad that we didn't have the Executive Comments earlier because they were so supportive of the resolution. I have been inquiring about how to duplicate the copies of the resolution for dessimnation to principals. There may be a chance that the Executive side will do the duplication for us when they publish the approved resolution in the D.C. Register. Question: do we want to include charts? If so, I think that the charts on schools only would be all that are needed - for both District and federal funds. Question: do we want to send the resolution itself to PTA's,etc.?

2. Teachers's Salary Amendments
Will be on the agenda for first reading on Tuesday. The Committee at time of approval requested further information from the Board on teacher certification which has been received; I circulated it to Willie and Spaulding on end of week. Pursuant to comments made by Legislative Counsel at the Comm/Whole work session, it was recommended that we make one technical amendment to the bill; it would have no effect on the substance of the bill. The text of the amendment is on p.5 of the bill in the folder.

3. OYOS
Will be on the agenda for first reading on Tuesday. The Neighborhood Planning Council folks are still uptight. I discussed with Ed Webb; he said that if the Council gets nervous about bucking the political pressure, that he

Glad to see executive comments — why didn't they think of this 7 years ago!

We want to include our "package" background/press release/resolution + charts — to PTA's (principals? how would Reed feel about this) with cover letter from Julius explaining how this process will be valuable to them + asking for their support + continuing effort to improve data.

on 1st reading

brief Julius on exactly what he should do at meeting

Be sure to Xerox another Background statement and fact sheet to put at each Council member's place before meeting (if this isn't normally done) - psychologically important



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Pat Miner
Sandy Brown

July 30, 1976

9. Energy Advisory Commission Resolution

Attached in the folder is a memo to Tucker requesting that the resolution be withdrawn from the Government Operations Committee to the Budget Committee.
again
I want to touch base/with both Arrington Dixon and Doug Moore before doing this to make sure they have no objections.

Also a copy of the Energy Conservation Act (Bill 1-197) is in the folder on the Energy Advisory Commission Resolution.

10. Resource Recovery

Have not had time to evaluate Bill 1-239 concerning the operation of Incinerator #5 and the provision calling for a comprehensive study of the District's solid waste system. Will send a copy to Hugh to see what he says.

The Budget Committee is planning to deal with the Energy Conservation Act in mid September, thus we should get the resolution transferred this month if possible if you want to take this course of action.
draft
11. In the notebook is a/cover letter, an updated summary of your Council Activities and last years questionaire.

When we send this out all the printing and reproduction expenses as well as the mailing costs should be done "out of pocket" to avoid any question on using public money for sending out a news letter.

your recommendation appears to be a good one — please follow through.

see how our resolution stands — & what steps we need to take and when.

Right, just as we did last year! Questionnaire needs to be typed & updated. Also mailing list expanded to include PTA Presidents & civic assoc. educ. contacts, etc. etc. Pls send versions home for approval prior to next Tuesday.

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Pat Miner
Sandy Brown

July 30, 1976

6. Police Surveillance

Enclosed in the folder is a copy of the Police Records Act which you co-introduced with Willie Hardy this ~~past week.~~ This was the bill that Ralph Temple drafted. The bill compliments the Non Criminal Police Surveillance bill which you introduced in May. Am not sure of the Committee's disposition on reporting out either of the two bill before the first of the year. The Public Safety Committee staff incidacted that Hardy wants to wait to January and introduce a composit bill that combines elements of the Police Records Act, the Non Criminal Police Surveillance Act, and the Police Chief's guidelines.

Also attached is a short letter to the FBI submitting your notarized signature in order for them to contiue to process your Freedom of Information and Privacy Act request.

If you want a copy of your arrest and conviction record (as opposed to general FBI intelligence/surveillance records) you must submit a written request to the FBI Identification Division accompanied by $5 and a notarized signature. Please advise if you want this.

7. Initiative and Referendum and

Tucker stated at the Committee of the Whole meeting that he would report the bill out of Committee with no recommendation before the Council session ends in December.

8. Statehood

Tucker also stated that he would report the Statehood bill out of Committee in late September or early October without a recommendation. We should draft a favorable report on the legislation on our own and have that (as well as any amendments to the original bill that we may want to introduce) ready to distribute to the Councilmembers when the bill is reported out. to the full Council.

Have it sent to Alice Bloom etc. for review.

so you had better get your vacations over with now. the exception this year is Lorraine and possibly Dave since he has reserve duty only. Please don't feel hurt if vacation time is not approved between Sept. 1 and Xmas. If people want time over Xmas & New Years that should be scheduled now. Next year all vacations should be scheduled during August.

pls revise as indicated.

Of course we want everything asap. I thought this had all been done last week. Please get this in the mail as soon as you can

That is too late. Send Julia's statement to Councilmembers with cover letter to "constituent list" — let us all draft prior to next Tuesday so letter can be mailed while we are away

Good idea. Lets begin to really prepare favorable report & get Sam Smith to take also do same kind of "package" for initiative & referendum.

Pat Miner
Sandy Brown
July 30, 1976

Weekly Report

1. Unit Budgeting

I will have final draft letter to PTA's along with final package to PTA president's on Sunday two weeks away ... August 15. Envelopes and packages will be ready to go by then. I talked with our clerical people, and it will have to go to the District Printer because it is so many pages. To be included are: Report, Resolution, and Forms ... accompanied by a letter based on report and earlier background statement to the PTA presidents ... Also civic associations's educational committees?

yes ?

2. OYOS

Final reading on September 15, 1976. Sterling and I discussed it briefly at Conrad's graduation Party; he really supports the action.

3. Teachers' Salary Act

Final reading on September 15, 1976. No problems.

4. FY 1978 Budget

Tentatively, the Education Committee's budget forum's are scheduled for September 8th and 9th. Prior to this time, I have to develop preliminary questions for each of the agencies I will have draft copies on your desk on August 15th.

5. Vacation

I will be on leave next week. I will be back at work the week of August 9th and plan to take a few additional days the week of the 17th. Sandy will be on leave the week of 23rd, Lorraine also final week in August. Dave back on 9th.

keep this (these) lists a permanent mailing list of "constituents"!

only include ① cover letter from Julius and ② background statement ③ press release and ④ complete resolution with forms — otherwise too much material + confusing. Where is draft cover letter? You will need to send home with Julius Mon or Tues — since we will probably be on vacation next sun. Anything that needs to be sent out over Julius's signature must be cleared by Sat. (We plan to be gone about two weeks).

Remember no questions are to be sent anywhere without a full discussion and approval by Julius.

Pat — thought you were taking 3 weeks + go to Calif? Julius wants anyone taking vacations to schedule during Aug. when Council is not meeting. (ok)

Weekly Review

Sandy Brown

June 27, 1976

4. Budget items:

Attached is a memo from Sterling Tucker concerning the Council budget process. The Mayor is scheduled to present the Council with the F.Y. 1978 budget on September 16. (F.Y. 78 begins on October 1, 1977) Tucker proposes that the Council's budget review be done in 2 phases:

Phase I - to take place now until Sept 16
The substantive Committees will examine the various programs that their agencies handle with the view of analyzing the cost effectiveness and service delivery of each of those programs and to determine whether they are accomplishing their stated mission.

Phase II - September 16 - November 5. The Council and the Committees would devote itself entirely to consideration of the budget. Legislative session, hearings and Committee meetings except as they relate to the budet, revenue and emergency matters would be suspended during this time.

— We will have to make sure that our bills are out of Committee by that date. I assume they will consider emergency measures.

5. Architectural Barriers Act

The Bill will come up for a first vote and reading at the legislative session on July 20, 1976. No opposition anticipated.

— Could I see copy of final "agreed-upon" bill next week — do we request a Commission be established or what?

Do you think Dave might develop a simple resolution (with your contacts) to request that all polling places in Nov. be selected with assessibility to handicapped — & list of places where this is not possible be listed.?



COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20004

JULIUS W. HOBSON
Councilman at Large

July 7, 1976

Mrs. Gilbert A. Harrison
Executive Director
D.C. Citizens for Better Education
95 M Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20024

Dear Mrs. Harrison:

The Board of Education adopted its 1976 legislative program on June 16, 1976 and transmitted it to the Council for its consideration and action. Several of the proposals would provide the Board of Education with significantly more administrative flexibility and financial autonomy. Because I am aware of your organization's extensive and detailed scrutiny of the Board of Education's operations, I am soliciting the comments of the D.C. Citizens for Better Education on each of the legislative proposals.

I am enclosing a copy of the material transmitted by the Board of Education to Chairman Sterling Tucker on June 18, 1976 for your review and recommendations. Ms. Pat Miner, Committee Clerk, will be contacting you in the near future to discuss the Committee's timeframe for consideration and report on the bills.

Best wishes for a pleasant summer.

Sincerely yours,

Julius W. Hobson
Chairman, Committee on
Education, Recreation and
Youth Affairs

Enclosure

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUANCE SYSTEM

Mayor's Order 76-128
June 24, 1976

SUBJECT: Mayor's Task Force on Data Processing and Procedures

ORIGINATING AGENCY: Office of Budget and Management Systems

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act (PL 93-198), it is hereby ORDERED that:

Establishment

There is established within the Executive Office of the Mayor a Task Force on Data Processing to be chaired by the City Administrator.

Purpose

The purpose of this Task Force shall be to review and evaluate the recommendations made by Arthur Andersen and Company in its Report on the Accounting and Financial Management Practices of the District of Columbia Government, dated June 1976, relating to the Management of Data Processing functions, and to make appropriate recommendations to the Mayor within sixty days.

Membership

Membership of the Task Force shall include the:
Corporation Counsel
Director, Department of Corrections
Director, Department of Economic Development
Director, Department of Environmental Services
President, Federal City College
Director, Department of Finance and Revenue
Director, Department of General Services
Director, Department of Housing and Community Development
Director, Department of Human Resources
Director, Department of Manpower
Director, D. C. Personnel
Chief, Metropolitan Police Department
Director, Office of Budget and Management Systems
Superintendent, D. C. Public Schools
Chief Judge, D. C. Superior Court
Director, Department of Transportation
Director, Unemployment Compensation Board
President, Washington Technical Institute

Staff Support:
Principal staff support to the Task Force shall be the responsibility of the Office of Budget and Management Systems.

Purchase Freeze:
Pending receipt of Task Force recommendations by me, a freeze on the purchase of all new ADP Systems and equipment is imposed.

Effective Date: This Order shall be effective immediately.

WALTER E. WASHINGTON
Mayor

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GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUANCE SYSTEM

Mayor's Order 76-127
June 24, 1976

SUBJECT: Implementation of Recommendations made by Arthur Andersen and Company

ORIGINATING AGENCY: Office of the Mayor

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act (P.L. 93-198), it is hereby ORDERED that:

A. Establishment:

There is established in the Executive Office of the Mayor a Task Force to review the progress made by District Government Departments and Agencies in implementing the recommendations made by Arthur Andersen and Company in its report on the Accounting and Financial Practices of the District of Columbia Government, dated June 1976. The Task Force shall include the following members:

Director, Office of Budget and Management Systems, Chairman
Corporation Counsel
Director, Department of Environmental Services
Director, Department of Finance and Revenue
Director, Department of General Services
Director, Department of Human Resources
Director, Municipal Planning Office
Director, D. C. Personnel Office
Superintendent, D. C. Public Schools
Director, Department of Transportation

B. Coordination and Staff Support

The Director of the Office of Budget and Management Systems shall have the primary responsibility for coordination of all activities involved in the implementation of this order.

Staff support to the Task Force shall be provided by the Office of Budget and Management Systems.

C. Effective Date:

This Order shall be effective immediately.

WALTER E. WASHINGTON
Mayor

Sandy Boorsn
Pat Miner

July 9, 1976

Weekly Review

Draft thank you letter to groups helping us develop (with CSC) + have out desks next Sunday.

1. Unit Budgeting

Has passed Committee of The Whole review for legal sufficiency, administrative details, and proper drafting. Will be on the agenda for vote on July 20, 1976. Next week I will have a draft press release for your review - for release on July 20.

Re your inquiry about co-sponsors -- that can only be done at introduction.

Julius has had many co-sponsors of bills — I would think you would have to educate/discuss with Council members in advance?

2. Board of Education's Legislative Program for 1976

This week, I met with Ed Webb, and three of the Board and Superintendent's legal staff to discuss the legislative package (Diane Lewis - the representative at all of our meetings, George Margolies - Supt's advisor, and Gene Page - one of the Board's staff) At that time we discusses Board priorities for action on the five bills as well as the time constraints here at the Council during the next few months prior to the end of the Council session in December.

The following consensus was reached:

Three bills would be introduced and referred to the Committee:

1. allowing contracting authority to the Board=
2. Repealing Council involvement in the classification of Teachers' Salary act positions and giving that power to the Board.
3. Allowing the Board rather than the Council to establish non-resident tuition rates, and further empowering the Board to establish a revolving fund for the use of those funds without regard to fiscal year. (approximately 60,000 dollars per year)

What is priority of these requests?

Have you sent this package to D.C. Citizens for review + comment as we requested last week? Should have been sent with cover letter from Julius — where is letter.

We are not here to rubber stamp what school admin. + Board (or Mayor) want. Therefore, always good idea to get outside comments.

The other two bills were handled in the floowing manner:

1. Bill to allow the Board of Ed. to use a judicially noticed seal - e.g. for diplomas and board documents - referred to John Risher for an opinion - Ed felt that the Board already had that power and ergo no legislation necessary.

How do we find this out? Should Julius write an "official" letter to Risher for opinion since legislation was submitted to his Committee? Pls. draft letter for next Sunday

Sandy Brown
Pat Miner

July 9, 1976

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2. Bill to make technical changes in the Teacher's Salary Act - already approved and implemented by the Board of Education since 1974 (Corporation Counsel had already ruled that there were errors and allowed current action) ==== these changes are offered as amendments to Bill 1-271 the Teacher's Pay Raise -This obviates the need to intorduce the bill and have a series of meetings on pure technicalities and the action would take place immediately -- see report draft and bill on Teachers' Pay Raise.

— I don't understand completely your action here. Draft letter from Julius to Reed (+/or Board Chairman) — stating how we are handling this issue + why. (for Julius signature next Sunday).

3. OYOS

I have redrafted the bill - tentatively approved by Ed Webb and the Legislative Counsel has reviewed for drafting errors etc. I have incorporated some of the provisions which the NPC/s sought to have added to the bill - I agree with everything in the bill - the additions to the bill merely set forth the structural way that the recreation department should deal with NEghborhood Planning Councils -It should also please the community although they would probably never admit it. Evie Washington has been meeting with other Council members asking their support against the bill - Several of them have asked me what your opinion is on the matter -Sterling Tucker, John Wilson, Arrington Dixon, Polly Shackleton - Spaulding and Willie are still in agreement with the transfer - The other Councilmembers will support the will of the committee and your wishes.
The report and redrafted bill are provided for your reveiw - They will obviously have to retyped, etc. but that will be in time for our meeting... and committee action.

Pat — when you have redrafted something we should review — include it in the notebook immediately following your report. Can't locate found!

— please have total package — bill and back ground statement typed in final + on desk next week. Yellow pages which were included at request of NPC/s.

4. Committee Meeting
I have scheduled a committee meeting for Wednesday at 10:30

instead of on Thursday as usual. The reason for that is that in order for the Teacher's Pay Raise to be on the agenda and for the OYOS reorganization to be on the agenda at the July 27th meeting - they must be filed on the 14th and considered at the ~~x~~ Committee on the Whole on Monday July 19. If we have any corrections to make to the bill - which I doubt, there will be no problem preparing amendment for the legislative session. I expect that, except for Mr. Spaulding making millions of statements for the record, that the meeting should not be too long. The Neighborhood Planning Council's are following our actions pretty closely, so I would expect that some of them may attend the meeting.

Pat - We need to see your material typed in final. Because of this schedule, you should have had on our desks this Tuesday (however, I know Lorraine was gone). We need to improve the format, ease of reading, and method of typing final product. However - understand this time and product really looks great as a rough draft.

5. Teachers' Pay Raise

Sandy added the technical amendments to the Teacher's Pay Raise bill for me and redid the report, adding section-by-section analysis to reflect the changes made. As the bill stands now, it does exactly what the earlier emergency bills did with the addidition of the technical amendments - See Sandy's report in the folder on the bill. He incorporated supporting language from the Board of Education's materials and has attached all pertinent documents which are required for the report. Quite a report I think - especially in terms of documenting all that has tranpired on that issue. Sandy has typed a copy for your review - the typing pool has not ~~xxxx~~ yet finished the report and bill on the computer yet, although we have some rather ptimtive drafts - It will be ready for committee review and filing - altho if we have to we can go with what we have and have the computer pick it up later in the week. With filing on Wednesday, it will be on the agenda of July 19 COW and agenda of July 27th Legislative meeting.

OK - remember to draft letter from Julius as suggested earlier

6. Interns

Antioch Law school has interns available for the next six months period - I can have one for the committee if we want - I think that if their time per week is sufficient, it could be helpful. Please advise.

Yes. Pick someone who could help draft legislation in youth area.

Sandy Brown
Pat Miner

July 9, 1976

Weekly Review

7. Resource Recovery:
Have drafted a press release to go with the background report and the "Resource Recovery Planning Resolution. Copy in Resource Recovery folder.
How do we want to introduce?

1. By filing with the Secretary and distributing the material to the Councilmembers and the Press.or

2. Introducing at the next legislative session (July 20) and distribute to the Councilmembers and the Press before the legislative session. Pleas advise.

8. For the sake of saving time Pat and I collaborated on this week's report. Copies of this report will be in both our notebooks. Pleas advise if you have objections with this procedure.

not at all — in fact if it would save you time — just have one notebook

} which ever would be most effective and easiest — we don't plan to have press conference, etc. Be sure to send copy to "constituents" with cover letter from Julius.

Sandy When do you propose to see me about this! When do you propose discussing it with me!

Julius read the resolution & would like to discuss with you prior to introduction

Pat Miner
July 2, 1976

Weekly Review

1. Unit Budgeting

Unit budgeting is on the agenda for discussion at the Committee of the Whole on Tuesday July 6, 1976 - item no. 10 on the agenda. After that session, it will come up for vote on July 20, 1976, which is the next legislative session. Looks like we are in good shape. Frank Cush will be in the chambers on Tuesday to offer any executive comments which the Council may require.

How many co sponsors do we need/have. Be sure that other LA's of Council members know what is all about. How about press release for 20th — to hand out before Council meeting?

2. OYOS

Sandy and I are working on the redraft of the legislation and a report which we should have in decent shape by the end of next week. While, as a last resort it will be on the desk by next Sunday, I hope to be able to send it home earlier in the week, e.g. Thursday night. I am scheduled to sit down with Ed Webb for legal sufficiency and the Legislative Counsel for language problems, early in the week. The deadline for filing legislation for the agenda of the July 27th meeting of the Council will be July 14th - for Committee of the Whole ~~max~~ discussion on July 19th. The final reading would occur after the August recess, at the first legislative session thereafter.

no way we can get it done sooner? with J-T opposition — the sooner the better

3. Teachers' Salary PErmanent Legislation

Bill 1-271 is still pending which permanently authorizes the 6% pay raise for teachers. As soon as I can get the statement from the school board ~~xx~~ stating the fiscal impact of the agreement with the Union, as Mr. Spaulding requested in the committee meeting Thursday, I will be ready to go with it. We can report out that bill at the same time that we report out OYOS and have the first reading on July 27th.

OK

4. Youth Employment

As we discussed on Friday, we need to take a hard line on the issue of youth employment. I suggest, that in addition to a

meeting with the head of Manpower, that we hold public hearings on the entire issues of youth employment ~~xx~~ including both year-round and summer employment. I have asked Lorraine to set up a meeting with Mr. Wilkins, head of Manpower, as you requested to discuss the summer issues which people have complained about. As the OYOS report gets finished, I am going to ask Sandy to do an in-depth study of employment and youth. I am not satisfied with the start on the area that David did nor the work that the intern did; ~~xx~~ I do have some leads for Sandy to explore, ~~xxx~~ tho from the initial work that has been done. (First, and foremost, we have to finish the OYOS this week and he has been starting a draft of the report for me to finish and add to with the Roundtable and other pieces of history)

? Pat - lets have lunch & discuss this area before you take a first step. Bring the letters & answers that Dave wrote. Right?

5. Board of Education Legislative Package

Sterling's aide, Rodney Coleman, has asked me to estimate how best to handle the legislative package from the schools. Each of the legislative pieces will require substantial work, except one which is corrective of errors in the Teachers' Salary Act. Given the August recess, and the budget process, ostensibly lasting from September 15th through early November (hopefully), there will be not too much time to deal with the bills. Please look at the legislative package folder which briefly lists each of the bills and has back-up on each. Contracting authority to the schools' is quite a complex area as will be granting them authority over their Tuition payments. As long as Sandy is down here, I think that we can make a dent in the package which will be sizeable -- anything not accomplished by Dec. 31st must be reintroduced after the new council is seated in January. Comments?

Give the legislative package to D.C. citizens Tues. or Wed. and ask for their comment ~~Wed or Thurs~~ While you are finishing OYOS. Do so in an official letter from Julius & have someone hand carry to D.C. citizens. After D.C. citizens comments are received - schedule roundtable discussion on all issues at one time — and report out those bills which appear OK. Remember, your value is to get others to work/think on these issues. Lets discuss if you wish.

6. Leave for Staff

I would like to take off the first three weeks in August. and perhaps a long weekend around the Labor day weekend. This does not conflict with Sandy's schedule - which is the fourth week in

August. Dave is Scheduled to be away from July 26th til August 6th for Reserve duty. Lorraine is due to start her xx trip on August 20th_

David July 26th - August 6th (2wks) OK
Lorraine August 20th -
Sandy August 23rd - August 30th (1 wk) OK
Pat August 2nd - August 20th (3 wks)

I have three weeks over the maximum which I can carry over now for annual leave and am earing leave through the end of the year so I will still have leave which I can't use. Lorraine has zillions of leave and will be gone for about 3 -+ weeks on her cruise. Please consider and advise, as I need to firm up my plans -- I hope to see California for the first time!

2. Still to be discussed next week's report -

How on earth do you get that much leave — I've been working longer & get less than 3 weeks per year — plus you have used leave during the year? Tell me your secret! Are you charging compensatory time for ever how worked overtime? Lets review procedure at next lunch. Three weeks of leave is all Julius can spare anyone on an annual basis — so if you want to take it all now, be his guest. But don't ask again until after January.

Council of the District of Columbia
Memorandum

District Building, 14th and E Streets, N.W. 20004 Fifth Floor 724-8000

To Members of the Council

From Robert A. Williams, Secretary to the Council

Date June 25, 1976

Subject Modifications to the Council Meeting Schedule

The Chairman advises of changes to the meeting schedule of the Council as follows:

July 12, 1976 - 10:00
Committee of the Whole Meeting is cancelled

July 13, 1976 - 10:00
Legislative Meeting is cancelled

July 20, 1976 - 10:00
Legislative Meeting is added

Council Recess - August 1 - August 31

September 7, 1976 -
Committee of the Whole (Work Session) is cancelled

September 8, 1976 - 10:00
Committee of the Whole Meeting is added

A revised schedule of meetings covering the next several months will be provided shortly.

Kindly adjust your schedules to accomodate these changes.

June 25 ERRATA

I just received the attached memorandum after completing the weekly report, attached below. As you can see, Sterling is changing the meeting schedule all around. According to Ed Webb, there may be one meeting in August, first week, like there was last year. This really confuses me with respect to the timeframes which I had discussed ~~sh~~ in the report.:

Tentatively, then

i. Unit Budgeting - July 20th

ii. OYOS = July 20th and August 3rd

iii. Teacher's Salary - July 20th and August 3rd

Committeeof the Whole work session on each of these matters would be sometime July 14-16th ?

OK — do what you can as soon as yow can but remember to push unit budgeting first.

Why the change ?

Where? Does the "Report" need to be double spaced — very difficult to read. Also why are certain letters underlined — very distracting

Patricia Miner
June 25, 1976

Weekly Review

1. Unit Budgeting

David will help me paste & duplicate forms on Mon. day

See draft resolution and report. On the resolution, the bracketed portion would be deleted, and the underlined is added. The report is in the computer as shown and can be retrieved single spaced, in regular form, after you approve it. The forms are altered as shown on the draft form. I met on Thursday evening with Frank Cush and Ed Winner (who was invited at Frank Cush's insistence in order to develop the best form possible) They are both enthusiastic about the reporting requirement and the reuirements which will be placed on D.C. Accounting because of it... such pressure will cause them to do better key punching of changes etc. Also available for your review are the Arthur Anderson study, Vol I - Executive Summary and Vol. III - Education. We got the full set late on Thursday. Please return, because there is only one set per Council member. Meeting has been scheduled for Thursday July 1, 1976 at 10:30 A.M.

The weed-end "Sunday" files are still not set up so I can quickly refer to bills & Committee Reports — pls. discuss with Sandy.

Looks Good! Delighted!

you answered my question above. I like final drafts typed single space so I can see how they "look"

OK.

2. OYOS

I discussed time frame on OYOS bill with Ed Webb... He says that there might be a legislative session on Tues. July 20 and that we should shoot for reporting out the bill then or at the July 27th meeting. The NPC folks have still been calling and stated their plans to fight any reorganization. Given the approval of Unit Budgeting on Thursday, the next week will have to be sufficient for the staff time for OYOS to be reported out. As soon as all pieces of The P.R. 1-206 are taken care of, I will begin the amendment to the OYOS bill and drafting the report. Hopefully for the desk on July 11th.... but it really should be done before then! More like Fourth of July weekend.

Can Sandy help you with this?

Make sure Julius and I get to discuss this in draft form, send it home some evening if you need to.

3. Teachers' Salary

Ed Webb recommends that we report ou t the permanent salary legislation now, given the settlement of the contract problems I spoke with both the Supt.'s negotiator and the WTU rep.

about the settlement reached. According to William Simon on the News media (!) the Union won and the Board capitulated; however, according to the Supt.'s man, the Board won on most points in the negotiation process. The negotiation was officially reached at Midnight between the 24th and 25th (Thursday night). They cannot officially give us a copy of the agreement until it is ratified by the membership of the Union in September, however I will probably be able to get an unofficialy copy within the next week. ..... Anyhow, now that the agreement matter has been resolved and agreed to by both parties, we should enact the permanent pay raise. This should be done as soon as possible - this will still be the legislative session of July 13th and second reading on July 27th this will allow the legislation to come into effect, as soon as possible, without waiting for after the recess. All that would be required is a minor revision of the earlier committee report and vote by the Committee on July 1. Concurrence? Please advise/

Sounds good if you are correct that only a "minor revision" is involved.

4. Legislative Proposal - Board of Education

Sterling has received the Board of Education's legislative proposals for FY 1976 which will be introduced at the next legislative session. They are in a separate forlder for your scrutiny. These will probably all b e referred to our committee. They won't be eligible for action until after the recess, due to publication requirements for bills. Ergo, September and on we should be ready to act.

Sounds OK?

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on Education, Recreation, and Youth Affairs

Thursday July 1, 1976
10:30 A.M.
Room 503

AGENDA

I Quorum Call

II Minutes from prevous meeting

III P.R. 1-206 Unit Budgeting Resolution
for action by committee

IV Bill 1-271 Teachers' Salary Amendments of 1976
(if completely typed over) for action by
committee

V New Business

Pat Miner
June 18, 1976

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Pat - put all material you want us to edit / review in the appropriate file - it is confusing if you punch in notebook. Also set up file in format I've already discussed with Sandy

Pat Miner
June 18, 1976

Weekly Review

1. Unit Budgeting

Draft report provided. Will be typed final and cleaned up language wise for distribution on Thursday at Committee meeting. We will have one change in the language of the resolution, adding a phrase that, if the accounting codes change, that the reporting will reflect the actual city accounting codes.

2. OYOS

See folder on Bill 1-307. At the roundtable, we recieved (two)? draft bills from the Neighborhood Planning Council people. They disclaim all knowledge of the second bill which is merely a few changes from the bill we introduced... but it will be helpful in terms of redrafting the legislation for reporting out. My time frame which I propose is - redrafting and report completed and to the committee by July1 - which would require some postions of it on the desk next Sunday with clean-up prior to July 1 meeting. If adopted by the Committee, it would be on the Committee of the Whole agenda, by hook and crook, on July 12th (filing deadline of report and legislation would be July 7) and come up for first reading on July 13th and second reading on July 27th - before the recess.

The meeting was very hostile, but I expected that since the only people who ended up coming were Neighborhood Planning Council Chairmen, which I don't feel is totally representative of the city as a whole. While they are very active and upset by the prospect of change, I feel that with xx the suggestions in their under-the -table bill, they can aatually perform better under recreation. Unless you advise otherwise, I will redraft bill and prepare report. I don't think the Council really wants to back down with regard to the transferene xx to Recreation, despite the NPC's complaints. We don't want to back down —

3. Reprogrammings

Meeting scheduled for Monday at 9:15 AM(that way we will be through in time for Committee of the Whole session) to discuss the

It is a shame we didn't have the unit budgeting bill before the City Council before the Anderson report — would have indicated one area where the Council has taken the initiative.

How does the GAO report relate to our unit budgeting resolution — support or? Points in this and the Anderson report should be developed into a one page "talking points" for Julius to introduce/discuss at his meeting on 6/24 — in support of the resolution. Since this is the most significant area we are working on — you and Sandy should become very familiar with the contents of both reports.

→ Continue with this time schedule only if you have time after making sure unit budgeting resolution — is accurate, complete etc.

— How can you get your draft report typed and completed in time? See report to Comm. of Whole

Brief Julius prior to 9:15

issue of the reprogramming for the public schools. There are several problems with the action, but they can be straightened out at the meeting. Frank Cush, Mayor's budget man and Ed Winner, Board's budget man will be there to answer any questions, and possibly at the Committee of the Whole session. After the meeting, We will report on the reprogramming request at the Committee of the Whole for Council approval - which is all of the action which needs to be taken. The issues are somewhat political : see folder.

Board of Education wants us to reprogram one set of figures, for certain purposes; the Mayor wants us to reporgram another set of figures for some overlapping and some different purposes. Certain of the reprogrammings are mandatory. Sandy is helping me with the report.-He wrote it up for me Friday afternoon after we received final letter from Therman Evans. See folder

Brief Julius on this — how are you going to get memo retyped in time — many questions on memo — a number of items unclear. In every such memo now work in reference to PR 1-206 — otherwise you act as though we know how money is spent — and we do not!

4. Teacher Reclassification P.R. 1-132

First item on the agenda for Monday's Committee of the Whole is the Teacher reclassification ~~xxxxxx~~ resolution and report which the committee reported out in late May - held up pending receipt of letter from the schools reaffirming their desire for the action. No problem at all with this request. Should be routine. See folder.

— OK ! - Brief Julius

5. WTI

As you are no doubt aware, Dr Dennard at WTI is under fire for his use of funds. According to today's paper, the Mayor has requested an audit of the account in question. Since we ostensibly have oversight of that institution, should we write a letter to the Mayor requesting a copy of the audit as it becomes available? Any other action required?

— Yes. Depending on that audit, we may want to call for a council audit! Put newspaper clippings in file.

6. Teacher Salary/Negotiations of the Board and WTU

The Board of Education cancelled the contract with WTU, partially I suspect, in response to the Council's extension of the raise. I will keep you appraised of any new developments in their attempt to come to accord with the Union.

— OK

7. Parental Responsibility Hearing

The hearing on Tuesday has 39 witnesses. The register closed Friday at 5:00 . Willie's office drummed up about half of the witnesses. She agreed to chairthe afternoon session of the hearings. They will be split up approximately half and half., between the 10:00 and 2:00 sessions. Cleo has drafted an opening ~~xxx~~ statement which outlines the bills provisions. I realize that you told her that you did not want the statement to be ~~xxxxxx~~ neutral and she has prepared it as you requested. However, I think that the prepared statement should not have opinion in it. Whatever you think is best.

See folder - paper [illegible] criticizing bill

Julius doesn't read statement tho we appreciate Cleo's work. What he needs are two pages of "talking points" essential facts. Pls revise, Sandy can show you how.

this should be attached to Talking points — + brief Julius — he may want to read.

DAVID F. SMITH
JUNE 11, 1976

Weekly Review

For status of major projects see Pat's report.

I spent most of the week dealing with education and employment quiries from constituents.

Some time was spent this week figuring a way to supplement my salary. Julius will explain the details of this, as well as a staff realignment that will take place effective Monday, with you I am sure.

Dave — Julius wants Sandy to retain the "Environmental" part of his responsibilities — which should include —

Beverage Container Act
Resource Recovery
Air Pollution
Energy Resolution

You should read all Sandy's task reports & become familiar with issues —

Sunday reports should list all projects even if the comment is "no action"

Pat Miner
June 11, 1976

Weekly Review

1. Unit Budgeting
Interim draft report provided. (See attached)

have ready next Mon. + prepare to bring up at Comm. mtg. Wed.

2. OYOS Reorganization
Meeting (roundtable) is scheduled for Thursday June 17 at 10:00 am in Room 501. Indications are that the NPC's will oppose our bill as drafted and filed. I figure that they would have opposed anything that we proposed that wasn't either the status quo or total freedom within the government. I will have briefing paper prepared for you by Tuesday. My feelings and have discussed with David and Ed Webb that in the Roundtable discussion that we go over the bill section-by section, just like we did in hte Child Labor Bill (this one is much shorter) and invite comments and recommendations on each section and amend the bill, as reasonable, based on the input. We should also tell the persons that attend that we are listening to them cause they might be hostile.
The article in the Gazette is both ~~xxx~~ misleading and erroneous. The author of that particular article has been one of the most outspoken critics of any change out of OYOS to Recreation and he sees the entire switch as a political ploy of the council's to weaken community programs.

O.K.

3. Teachers Salary Act Amendments
A new emergency bill and resolution are being done in the clerical pool, so that they can be introduced on Tuesday. The language is virtually identical with the earlier emergency act(see folder on Teachers Salary Act). The onoy diferences in the bill will be a retroactive clause to June 10th; and in the reolution changing the tense of several verbs. David checked out the wording of the resolution with the Legislative Council. Cleo had the bill redone. We have received correspondence from the Preds President of the Board requesting no further action.

I have inquired as to whether this letter from Dr. Evans presentated an official action of the board. Dwight Cropp (Board Secretary) indicated to me that at a meeting on June 7th, at which a quorum was present, that the Board was briefed by the Board's negotiating team. At that time, they indicated that their consensus of opinion was that such a letter should be sent if no action had been accomplished by Jun 9th (sednesday) in terms of reaching agreement with the Union. Therefore, at the direction of a majority consensus, the letter was sent. Those present at the meeting and agreeing to that course of action were: Evans, Benjamin, Simmons, Featherstone, Mason, Schwartz, and Kane (7 out of 11).

Ed webb feels that your decision to enact further emergency legislation is the appropriate course of a tion. It will have the same effect as no action and/or delay in ~~fixx~~ final action on the matter. If no accord is reached in forty-five days, then it would be appropriate to do permanent legislation. He feels that aftet this time the Council could be sued by individaul teachers if no permanent teachers'salary raise were adopted.Forty five day extension of the emergency bill would be July 25th, still before the Council's recess. Ninety days would be September 8th after the recess(ninety days being the longest emergency action can be in place). PIease advise. I am not terribly convinced wither way - basically a political decision, escept that all ofher city employees have a raise and prices have risen.

— further 90 days

4. Reprogramming DCPS

The reprogramming which I discussed and briefed the committee on about a month ~~ag~~ ago has finally cleared through the Mayor's office. I will have a brief report for our consideration at the meeting on Thursday and action. We should approve in order that the money can be obligated before it expires. Should present no problem, Sandy or Cleo can help with the report.

— OK

4. Cont.
The reprogramming request has just been received by Sterling' office. Ed Webb gave it to me late Friday night, It will be referred to us on Monday or Tuesday so hopefully we can act by Thursday.

5. Parental Responsibility Act
So far ten witnesses have signed up for the hearing on June 22 Of that number, one is pro the curfew and nine are con! One other person has indicated that they will submit testimony. I anticipate that more persons will cal l in next week.

— OK

6. Meeting on ADP and Education
Spaulding has senta new version of his letter on the ADP meeting - not much better. I plan ~~it~~ to edit and send back if you concur that we should cooperate.

— ? Brief Julius

7. Attached for your information is a copy of letter sent by DAvid Splitt to John Risher requesting opinion on the Mayor's ability to freeze DC. SChool's funds and positions.

— Brief Julius if important

8. Re;switch of David and Sandy - I hope that Sandy will be free to devote most of his time to Committee affairs. There is a lost going on and I need the help. Sandy also understands better than David the Council procedures nad details of reports etc. so this should be a profitable switch during this hectic time. I have no problems with it!!

— Sandy will continue with his environmental bills — which should not require too much time — + we will see how this works out.

9. Teacher Position Reclassification — filed, ready for next work session, Committee of the Whole, Monday June 21st.

— brief Julius